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Editor's Note

By WarhoundOne

Well October and November have come and gone. Christmas is around the corner. October saw Breast Cancer and Domestic Violence awareness campaigns, along with the passing of a KAT member, while November brought some of us Veteran's Day and Thanksgiving, while reminding us that there are still acts of terror being perpetrated across the globe. This issue is another step forward, especially in the design area. I have done away with the frames on pages, in an attempt to look more like a published magazine. I hope you all like the change. This issue will carry on the last issues contest as the amount of people who participated was enough to warrant running it again. Same icon, same rules, same prizes, with the addition of the use of a seedbox for 1 month, provided by OptimusPr1me. Send me a PM if you locate it. If you aren't aware of how this works, grab issue #4 and read all about it in the Editor's Notes there.
Real life brings about change on a daily basis, and so do things here at KAT. We have some new contributors and some of the familiar faces are absent this issue. Hopefully they will return for future issues.

December is the final month for voting for the Staff of the Year here at KAT. Please take the time to cast a vote for someone in each category.

Thread: Moderator of the Year (2015) - Voting Ends - 31st December

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Thank you as well to everyone included on the KATalyst team, and anyone who has helped along the way.

We hope all of you reading this enjoy the Magazine, and we'll keep it going *every other month* if it gets enough downloads and views. Please give us your comments in the Feedback Thread below.

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WarhoundOne
Hup Hup

olderthangod Presents

A Look Back

The year is 1952. The place was London, UK, I was 9 years old. Me, mom and dad, (who was a shadow of his former self after Dunkirk) and my 7 year old brother were living in what was known back then as a 'prefab'... which describes it perfectly, a prefabricated building bolted together in just a few days for those who had been bombed out of their own home. These were brought in by the thousands, made in Canada and shipped over to the UK, and erected on any spare ground as temporary accommodations.

Having a roof over our head again was a gift, the fact the entire single story building was made from corrugated asbestos, with a steel window and door frames and no insulating properties made them very cold. Asbestos wasn't viewed as it is today, it was fire retardant, right?

The heating system was non-existent, we had one fireplace, which was heating for the entire bungalow. Not really a problem finding fuel either, there were plenty of bomb sites locally with wooden framework, doors, window frames, sheds...anything wooden was chopped up and went in the fire.

Along came 1953, and at 10 years old we were assigned a 3 bedroom 'council house', I had my own room, I was so happy. My prize possession at that time was a US Army issue Colt .45 automatic I had traded with a friend for a live grenade I had found. All the kids at school had some kind of handgun, mostly brought back from wherever by the fathers or elder brothers, so this was normal at the time.

Addendum

Early 50's, the police came around with an Amnesty, promising no arrests would be made so long as all us kids handed over any weapons we had in our possession...this was brought about by some kid shooting a policeman not far from us. **Read about that here.**

Again there was no heating system as such, just the usual fireplace in the main living room, wood scrounging was my job after school. Here comes the cool part, 3 miles further up the road from us was a USAF base, which was packing up to go home. That place was a goldmine for us kids, what those guy's couldn't ship home they threw out. All of the planes had already gone long ago, along with lots of other equipment that my 10 year old mind can remember....we scrounged big time, if it wasn't nailed down, we had it.

Several of the older boy's had motorcycles given to them, Harley's, Indians, what would they be worth in 2015?? Any food rations mysteriously disappeared virtually overnight, as did some of the local women when the troops all finally moved out.

This left us kids with an enormous playground of deserted buildings complete with most of the furniture, which again, all disappeared over one weekend.

I recall my father grabbing a radiogram with a whole bunch of those hard vinyl records, and taking it home in a wheelbarrow. You bought the needles for it in a tin, so when it started to sound scratchy, unscrew the little wheel and put a new needle in. We were subjected to Fats Waller for years after that; TV didn't exist back then, so when one of the neighbors eventually got one, that house was usually where all the neighborhood kids could be found.

Everybody knew everybody else, all us kids were always polite to our elders, respect was earned and given. Babies and newborns had several moms, whoever was free at the time, back doors were seldom locked at night, whatever friends you had at home at dinner time got fed as well. Us kids used to raid the surrounding fields for vegetables, a few chickens used to go AWOL too, as well as a few sheep and pigs...times were tough for all.

1955 <--- not sure of this date...we got a £10.00 assisted passage from UK to Canada, my life's adventures had started.

Programs and Applications Review

Hello readers!! I thought about some Operating System reviews in this issue. Quite a few OS(s) have come to light in 2015, including Windows 10 and Elementary OS.

Windows 10:
Arguably the best OS for PCs that has come to light in 2015, it is a major improvement over the lagging and weak Windows 8/8.1 that was designed for Tablets and Phones. New Start Screen and a combination of Windows 7 and 8.1 gives a whole new GUI and a cool operating system. The new icon sets are professional-looking and soothing to the eyes. The bug fixes after the release of Windows 8.1 have made this OS that is faster, sleeker and obviously better.

Windows 7 Ultimate:
Known to be the most stable OS of Microsoft ever released. Fast and secure, it can be installed on any computer that has 1 GB of available RAM. Enhancements in every module since the veteran Windows XP has made this OS one of the best.

Elementary OS:
The latest release of this OS, 0.3.1, Freya is a sleek Linux distribution that has come to light this year. Its user interface aims at being intuitive for new users without consuming too many resources. Elementary OS Freya takes all of the known elements of a good UI, blends them together, and doesn't toss in anything extraneous that might throw the user for a loop. The end result is a desktop interface that anyone (and I do mean anyone) can use without hiccup.

Mac OS X El Capitan:
Released on 30th September, 2015, this OS is an update to Mac OS X Yosemite. Apple's El Capitan is a free update that streamlines the Mac experience and spruces up existing tools without changing the fundamental OS X experience. Improved dock and improved Notes really have spiced up this OS. If you own a Mac, you'll want El Capitan. This update simplifies the Mac experience, improving the tools you already use while promising improved performance to come.

ALL of these OS are available here on KAT by many different uploaders!

By Guest WriterTechie5879

Wildwielder's Books

Release Thread

The Last Necromancer (The Ministry of Curiosities #1)

Victorian London: For five years, Charlotte (Charlie) Holloway has lived as a boy in the slums. But when one theft too many gets her arrested, her only means of escape lies with a dead man. Charlie hasn't raised a spirit since she first discovered she could do so five years ago. That time, her father banished her. This time, she brings even more trouble upon herself.

People are now hunting Charlie all over London, but only one man succeeds in capturing her. Lincoln Fitzroy is the mysterious head of a secret organization on the trail of a madman who needs a necromancer to control his newly "made" creatures. There was only one known necromancer in the world - Charlotte - but now there appears to be two. Lincoln captures the willful Charlie in the hopes the boy will lead him to Charlotte. But what happens when he discovers the boy is in fact the young woman he's been searching for all along? And will she agree to work for the man who held her against her will, and for an organization she doesn't trust?

Hand of Mars

Three years ago, as Ship's Mage of the starship Blue Jay, Damien Montgomery was pursued to the edge of human space by both the agents and enemies of the Mage-King of Mars — before being brought in from the cold.

Now, trained in new skills by the Mage-King himself, Damien has been sent to the planet Ardennes alongside Alaura Stealey, Hand of the King. A rebel movement there has destroyed cities fighting a Governor seemingly lost to corruption.

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Lucky Thirteen

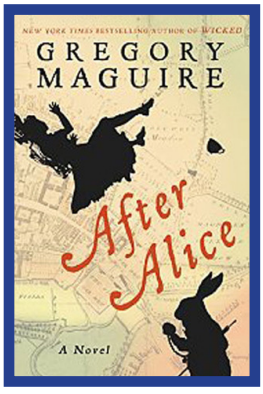
Rookie pilot Halley's first drop ship command.

A short story in the Terms of Enlistment universe.

Did you read Terms of Enlistment? if you did you met Andrew and Halley who "fell in love" during basic training (hey it's the future, they were bunk mates...nothing like when I was in the army). This book takes place before the climatic events in that book but after the events of basic training. Halley is in her fist posting as a Marine Drop Pilot and her ship is..."Lucky 13". The ship got it's name because it twice survived to come back into service after all hands in it (crew and troops) were killed.

This is Halley's ship.

What you're going to get here is the proverbial rousing military action yarn. It's an edge of the seat short story with boosters on full blast and guns blazing. if you liked the novel, if you like action, if you like military science fiction, if you like military fiction this one's for you.

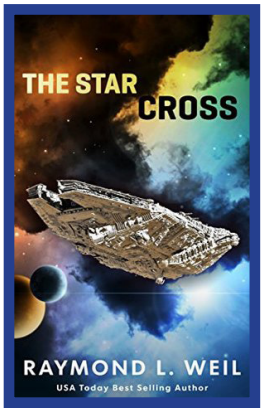


After Alice

From the multi-million-copy bestselling author of Wicked comes a magical new twist on Alice's Adventures in Wonderland, published to coincide with the 150th anniversary of Lewis's Carroll's beloved classic

When Alice toppled down the rabbit-hole 150 years ago, she found a Wonderland as rife with inconsistent rules and abrasive egos as the world she left behind. But what of that world? How did 1860s Oxford react to Alice's disappearance?

In this brilliant new work of fiction, Gregory Maguire turns his dazzling imagination to the question of underworlds, undergrounds, underpinnings — and understandings old and new, offering an inventive spin on Carroll's enduring tale. Ada, a friend of Alice's mentioned briefly in Alice's Adventures in Wonderland, is off to visit her friend, but arrives a moment too late — and tumbles down the rabbit hole herself.



The Star Cross

Admiral Kurt Vickers is on fleet maneuvers in the Newton System when a heavily damaged Earth light cruiser appears. The captain tells a horrific story. Earth has been invaded, and the defensive fleets in orbit have been annihilated.

For decades, humans have been exploring farther and farther away from Earth and Newton searching for signs of intelligent life. Now that intelligent life has found them and it comes as an invader.

The enemy is ruthless, powerful, and has a disdain for human life. Admiral Vickers has his small fleet taskforce and is hopelessly outnumbered. However, even in darkness there is light and Admiral Vickers will do whatever is necessary to free Earth from the invaders, even if he has to travel to the worst hellhole in the galaxy to do it.

Planetfall

Renata Ghali believed in Lee Suh-Mi's vision of a world far beyond Earth, calling to humanity. A planet promising to reveal the truth about our place in the cosmos, untainted by overpopulation, pollution, and war. Ren believed in that vision enough to give up everything to follow Suh-Mi into the unknown.

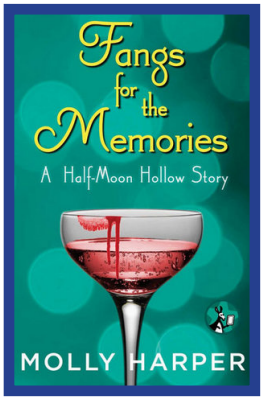
More than twenty-two years have passed since Ren and the rest of the faithful braved the starry abyss and established a colony at the base of an enigmatic alien structure where Suh-Mi has since resided, alone. All that time, Ren has worked hard as the colony's 3-D printer engineer, creating the tools necessary for human survival in an alien environment, and harboring a devastating secret.

Zola Flash

Zola is a Victian. And for as long as she's been alive, her planet has been at war with the ruthless, demeaning Payohlini.

After witnessing the gruesome murder of her family, Zola Flash decides it is time to escape with the one person she was taught to hate before she meets the same fate. Earth seems to be the perfect place to hide out – to pretend her whole life didn't come crashing down.

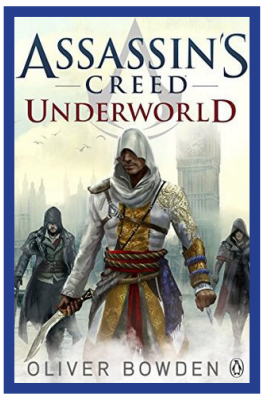
While on Earth, fitting in and making new friends are Zola's main goal. It's what she wants. A family to call her owns. But then, Zola uncovers family lies and the true reason behind this never ending war. Now it's up to Zola and the enemy, who is swiftly stealing her heart, to save her people and gain retribution for her family. But when revenge and protecting her people mean relinquishing her freedom, she's left with a difficult choice.



Fangs for the Memories

How did Andrea and Dick Cheney fall in love? Join Half-Moon Hollow's favorite couple for a trip down memory lane—to a time when Mr. Wainwright was newly dead, Jane Jameson was a newbie vampire, and a budding paranormal romance was not yet uncorked…

Half-Moon Hollow's supernatural social event of the season—Zeb's Titanic-themed werewolf wedding—is coming up, and Dick Cheney (not that Dick Cheney!) needs a date. But Andrea's had enough of clever, handsome, and rakish to last a lifetime, and Dick Cheney is certainly not the sort of man you bring home to mom (not that Andrea's deadist parents are speaking to her ever since she dropped out of college and became a blood surrogate.) Shameless, relentless, roguish, with a Stetson-worthy swagger, a naughty sparkle in his eyes, and a constant smirk—oh, and fangs—no, Dick is the last person (er…vampire) Andrea wants to date.



Assassin's Creed Underworld

1862, and with London in the grip of the Industrial Revolution, the world's first underground railway is under construction. When a body is discovered at the dig, it sparks the beginning of the latest deadly chapter in the centuries-old battle between the Assassins and Templars.

Deep undercover is an Assassin with dark secrets and a mission to defeat the Templar stranglehold on the nation's capital.

Soon the Brotherhood will know him as Henry Green, mentor to Jacob and Evie Frye. For now, he is simply The Ghost.

Assassin's Creed: Underworld is the eighth gripping novel from Oliver Bowden set in the immersive world of Assassin's Creed.

The Metal Sampler: Sepultura – Full Speed Ahead

By Star.Sapphire

"Traveling on trains. Getting beat up by cops. Sleeping behind the stage. It's part of growing up. It's part of the nature of this stuff. If you don't have that kind of background, you can't be a band like us." - Max Cavalera

The thrash metal band Sepultura was formed in 1984 by the brothers "Max" (Massimiliano Antonio) and Igor Cavalera of Belo Horizonte, Brazil. The new band was inspired to choose the name Sepultura (Portuguese "grave") by the Motorhead song "Dancing On Your Grave," after discovering that its preferred name ("Shock Troops") had been previously used by another band. After early lineup changes, the group gelled into what is perhaps its most notable form with Max assuming the duties of lead vocalist/rhythm guitarist and Igor on drums. Bassist Paulo Jr. Joined the band in 1995, followed by lead guitarist Andreas Kisser in 1997.

Sepultura is usually classified as a thrash or death metal band, though it is really a genre-defying group. Its early releases were heavily influenced by such bands as Venom, Celtic Frost, and Slayer (Andreas Kissler has stated that there would be no Sepultura without Slayer). The band's later musical style has been described as "groove metal," and later still their material was somewhat progressive in that it incorporated the music of indigenous Brazilian cultures.

The lyricals themes in Sepultura's albums encompass a wide range of subjects, with the topics of social injustice and politics being among the most well known. The 1993 release of the album Chaos A.D.(certified gold) is perhaps the best example of this, containing as it does such songs as Biotech Is Godzilla and Refuse/Resist. The latter is one of Sepultura's signature songs and is sometimes described as a "protest song."

In 1996, Max Cavalera left Sepultura, and Igor departed in 2006. After auditions, U.S. singer Derrick Green was selected as the group's new lead vocalist. Sepultura's current drummer is musician Eloy Casagrande.

Despite the departure of its founders, Sepultura is still going strong. What else should we expect from a band that is now over 30 years old? Sepultura's music is available on Kickass Torrents.

Sepultura Discography

Nemesis43

Hi there comicfans, hope you are enjoying another great issue of the KATalyst.This time round I thought I would take a look at the recent Universe 'shattering' offerings from Marvel and DC Comics, meaning reboots and 'reboots' that aren't reboots (according to DC at least), this year saw a complete change of both the publishers 'Universes' and while DC had rebooted as recently as 2011 with the Flashpoint story arc/event, and were adamant that the end of the New 52 was NOT a reboot, Marvel was rebooting both their 'Ultimate' and '616' realities - which had been around since 2000 and 1961. They call it a reboot but in effect it's a huge re-ordering of everything Marvel has to offer. Imagine them putting all their previous characters from each and every reality and time-line into a large world cocktail shaker (that they are calling Battleworld) and shaking it up and see what comes out - as we saw in the recent Spider-Verse arc there are 100s of different Spider-Men/Women from various timelines and realities. And this is the same for most of Marvels characters, as we saw with 'Spidey' the more popular the title the more 'alternate' versions of the character there are available.

The last DC 'reboot' back in 2011 was in direct response to the Marvel's fortune at the time - they had recently released the first Iron Man movie, which was in effect a game changer - but we're here to look at the comics side of things, so how did DC wipe the slate clean? How did they restart titles with numbering running back to the 1930s?, how did they wrap up the ongoing storylines? It has to be said - not well - they rushed the whole thing - it could've been done so much better, but hindsight is a wonderful thing, now it's history and we have Flashpoint.

Which, if you couldn't guess involved The Flash, Barry Allen - Click the image to the left to download the Flashpoint event, collected into one easy to grab torrent - this event is the tool used by DC Comics to restart thir entire line at #1, but also merging the main DC Universe (New Earth) with those of the two DC imprints - Vertigo (Earth-13) and Wildstorm (Earth-50) - after the reboot characters from the Wildstorm imprint which had been shutdown the previous year were also included in the newly launched New52.

There we have it - The New52 - 52 new titles, all shiny and up to date, many of which lasted just as long as 8 (yes 8) issues - maybe that's being a bit harsh as most of them did run their course and the top titles are still running to this day - having outlasted the New 52 that spawned them....

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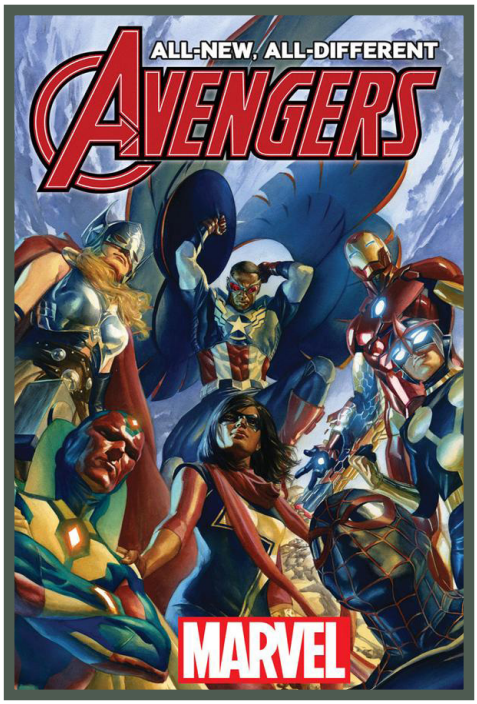
Marvel responded around a year later with the introduction of Marvel NOW, currently running titles would receive NOW issue and a Marvel NOW red banner across the cover, also introduced were some new titles including Uncanny Avengers and All-New X-Men after the shake-up caused by the Avengers Vs X-Men storyline. For more info on Avengers Vs X-Men and the following repercussions- **Click Here**

Links to the Collected Avengers Vs. X-Men including the core 12 issue series and all the tie-in issues - Already in reading order.

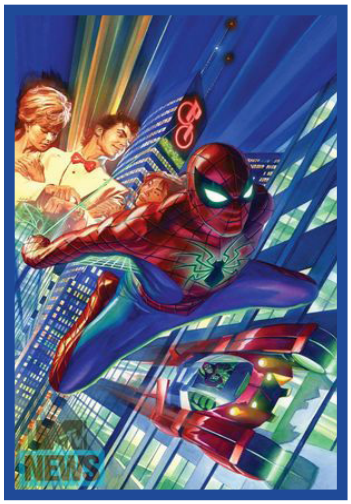
The All-New Inhumans

The Uncanny Inhumans

Marvel NOW brings us back to the start, where I was talking about the currently ongoing Marvel reboot that is Secret Wars and the DC Comics offering that has run it's course ending the New52 and bringing us DC YOU - but I'd like to offer up some points and thoughts on Secret Wars and the All-New, All-Different (AN AD) that it's leading to - Secret Wars 2015 has been running since the begining of May this year, there have been the usual delays, but that's just Marvel, it's to be expected, I have heard from readers that are enjoying it and also those that have been blown away and really enjoying it - and yes there are those that wish it had never happened at all - but what are we to expect from the coming AN AD Marvel Universe? We can look at what we had before Secret Wars started and that coupled with a breif look around online may be just enough to make some of us worry about what is coming - So far we have an announcement that Amadaeus Cho, the teenage genius, is to become The Hulk!!! Surely not The Hulk?? I can't believe that there will not be a Bruce Banner Hulk - you know, The Hulk jumping around as well and I can't imagine a Marvel universe (whatever they call it) without him/it. What else? What else indeed and this could be just bad speculation on my part, but The Inhumans and the X-Men are going to share Uncanny Inhumans - personally I'd like them to have a title each and crossover here and there.



NO MORE Fantastic Four!! Is this true?? I can understand Marvel not being happy as they don't own the movie rights, I really would like to see maybe a Thing/Torch Team-Up those two have always had chemistry - anyway I'm speculating again - stay with the facts . . . The Avengers - Lady Thor, Captain (The Falcon) America, Iron Man, The Vision, Ms. Marvel, Miles Morales and Nova - sounds like a good line up but I'll miss the old Cap - hopefully he won't stay the old Cap forever I would love to see him take back his shield.



Peter Parker will retain the Amazing Spider-Man title and now his the owner of a Mega-Corp he has even more power to be greatly responsible for - this title is only two issues in and we already have the evil Doc Ock robot storyline - we knew he'd be back and the timing is perfect, just when I was starting to lose faith - excellent!! Maybe I was wrong - after typing and thinking it looks like the the All-New, All-Different Marvel Universe may offer some pleasing changes, there will always be times when we look back and wish things hadn't changed as much as they did and wonder what would have happened if they had just given . .?

... and that's another story. Maybe if you were to put pen to paper you could be in a position to have a say when the next universe reboot comes around - that may sound far fetched but there is was one guy a long time ago in a galaxy far, far away. . . . . .

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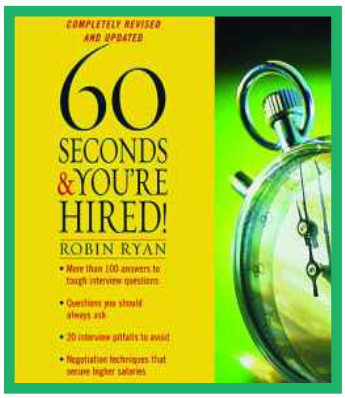
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• 20 interview pitfalls to avoid
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60 Seconds and You're Hired

For the past decade, 60 Seconds & You're Hired! has helped thousands of job seekers get the perfect job by excelling at the crucial job interview. Now, in this new edition, America's top career coach Robin Ryan offers proven strategies to help readers take charge of the interview process and get the job they want. Brief, compact, and packed with useful tips, 60 Seconds & You're Hired! features:

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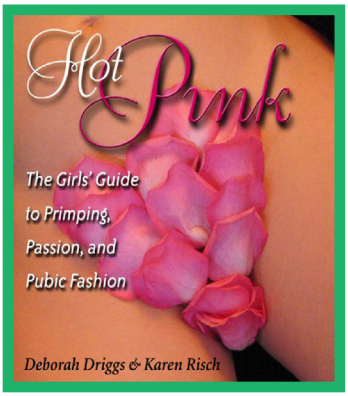

Hot Pink – A Girl's Guide to Primping, Passion & Pubic Fashion

How you feel about your body can determine how much and how often you desire sexual intimacy. And there is a simple way any woman can boost her sex drive, sensitivity, and self-confidence immediately. You'll see and feel results tonight!

Harvard Business Review - November 2015

Harvard Business Review OnPoint makes it fast and easy to put HBR's ideas to work. Handpicked by HBR's editors to bring readers the most relevant ideas and insight on a single business topic, these collections include full-text articles, summaries of key points, and suggestions for further reading, plus content selected from hbr.org.

Mac Kung Fu - Over 400 Tips, Tricks, Hints, Hacks and Fixes for Apple Macs and Os X

Hints and hacks in Mac Kung Fu: Second Edition. Exploit secret settings and hidden apps, push built-in tools to the limit, radically personalize your Mac experience, and make "it just works" even better. In addition to core OS X technologies, this significantly revised and expanded update to the best-selling first edition dissects new tools such as iCloud, Notifications, Reminders, and Calendar.

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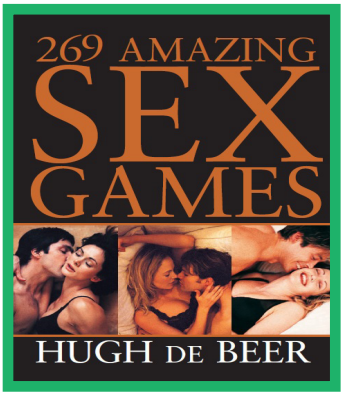
National Geographic Traveler USA – November 2015

National Geographic Traveler is the world's most widely read travel magazine. It championed sustainable travel before it was cool and, eight times annually, celebrates journeys that are about place, experience, culture, authenticity, living like the locals, and great photography. It makes a distinction between tourism and travel, and stresses inquisitive not acquisitive trips. It employs storytelling and you-are-there photography to inspire readers to pick up and go.

FHM Philippines — October 2015

FHM is for every guy's guy. Each issue dishes out awesome features on babes, pop culture, sex and relationships, sports, fashion, technology and everything else on men's lifestyle. Never boorish. Just sexy, funny, useful and interactive - all the time!



269 Amazing Sex Games

Hugh deBeer, inventor of the popular Foreplay board game, offers couples a sexy variety of fun and games, including:
A week of orgasms
Orgasm express
The long, slow climb to climax
50 ways to feed your lover
20 red hot things to do with ice
So many kisses, so little time

The Economist - 31ST October - 6TH November 2015

The Economist is a global weekly magazine written for those who share an uncommon interest in being well and broadly informed. Each issue explores the close links between domestic and international issues, business, politics, finance, current affairs, science, technology and the arts.

Let's Knit – November 2015

23 seasonal makes for all skill levels, including an exclusive Miffy pattern!
Stunning cushions, trendy gilet, stylish shawl, easy-to-wear cardi and cute Eskimo buddy
Arne & Carlos's top Christmas knitting tips
The best luxury yarns to ask Santa for this year
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Linux Format

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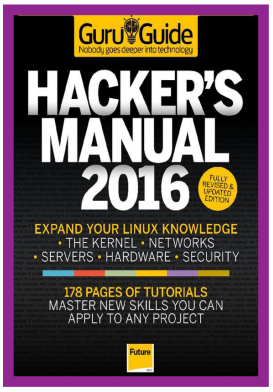
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By Optimus Pr1me

December 1992, Mogadishu, Somalia

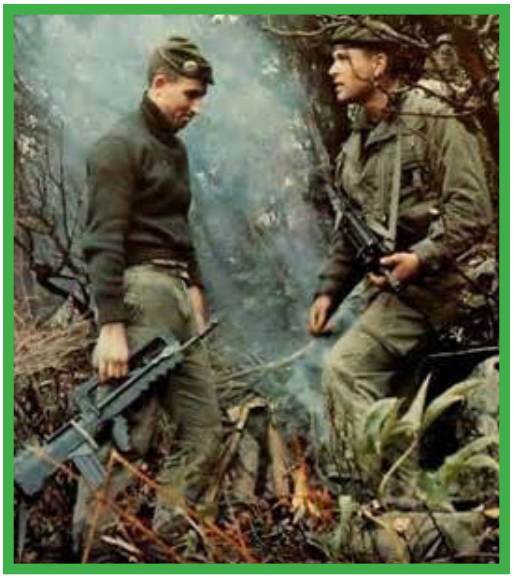
Upon arrival on the shores of Somalia we were greeted by the civilians who live near and around the beaches, being mostly fishermen and some alleged pirates. Looking at us like we were ghosts from a distant past, or perhaps a future, we were scrutinized by the locals like they did with the other forces who landed before us. We left Djibouti with **a single mission in mind**, to protect the civilians of this country against the raging Warlords.

We marched and drove into the city center and quickly discovered that this city is pretty much built around a hub area, the main high street of Mogadishu. We started working on building the roadblock up in our attempt to be able to search all vehicles going in and out of the city. A lot of locals did not like this one bit, and came and argued with us about how it would affect their business. We tried to explain to them that "if things were not put under control there would be no business left after the warlords finished with the city."

The Somalis quickly discovered that we were going to disturb their lives even more, but with a greater good in the back of the minds. On day 2 we backed up the traffic so far that people got out of their cars and vans and buses. They would sit and lay on the roofs, sleeping or talking to each other as each vehicle was thoroughly searched by us. We were not alone but we were spearheading the operation supported by US Marines, who kept a little to the background as their orders were not to upset the local authorities and civilians. We however, had no such orders other than: "Get it done!".

As we were checking the cars, shots were heard near our position and 4 Legionnaires, myself included, were quickly dispatched to go and scout what was going on. I was a young Legionnaire then, wet behind the ears and perhaps a little too gung-ho. The midday sun was getting hot and our body armour was weighing heavy. The commandant snarled at us to hurry up as we were running along the allies, darting left right, right left, switching positions and covering high and low.

We got to a clearing, like a little opening in the middle of a few houses and a little cafe like structure. There was a Toyota Hilux vehicle with a gun on the back on fire, and all we could hear was the crackling of the flames. Some civilians darted back into their houses. The door to the cafe was open so it was decided to work our way there and try to get to the top floor so we could cover the village. We went into the cafe in standard formation and I took point, running my back up against the lime wall slowly walking up the stairs. I heard some noises in the room at the top of the stairs and before I even had thought of it, I had kicked the door open and was about to pull my trigger as a person started running off but then…



…I heard the baby cry… I hesitated…

…lifted my gun and I had almost shot a mother with a baby, perhaps 20-21 years of age who had just started running off because she was scared. This made me grow up instantly and taught me one of the most valuable lessons I have ever learned: "Think before you act". With hand gestures I tried to make it clear to her that it was OK, but she was bawling, hardly able to breathe and the baby was screaming at the top of its lungs. We had to somewhat forcibly remove her from the building and guide her back to our roadblock. As locals saw us drag her and take the baby as she was completely in panic, they tried to meddle with us saying we were hurting her, which we were not and a small street fight broke out which was quickly decided in our favour. The US Marines took the girl and the baby to their tents and that was the end of that for us. It had set a very grim tone, the locals did not look at us as friendly anymore. I think they hated us more than they hated the Warlords.

The next day, we learned from the American command that we were not the most popular forces in town, to which our command replied: "We did not realise we were here to be popular?"

We manned our roadblock and more and more Somalis were getting aggressive towards us due to frustration and lack of humanitarian help flowing from the harbour and airport. We had restrained a few and arrested a few to uphold public order. As midday arrived and the sun was starting to drop down behind us, one lane of the main street was being kept open for our armoured vehicles etc. At the far point we saw a truck driving up and all of a sudden speeding up and crashing through the first gate.

"Lock and load", our Captain shouted, "the true welcoming party is here!!" We aimed and waited for it to be in close range, also waiting for what they were doing. It could just be frustrated queue waiters, but no, one of my comrades shouted "Guns on the back ! On the back !!", as the first shots were heard and seen from the back of the truck.

We opened fire, the truck started swerving and got away from its collision course with our roadblock and slammed into a house to the right, hitting another car and motorcycle whose occupants had long left. Two were dead, seven injured. "Not bad for half a day's work", Captain grunted. You have to understand, this is how we deal with death and pain and hurt. We make fun of it to avoid ourselves going crazy.

The aftermath of this happening was much more severe than the happening itself. The Legion was accused of being too tough in a humanitarian situation by other forces and countries. We were blamed for having opened fire, whereas we really did not, we waited for as long as we could. Perhaps, forces like ours are not the best to have for humanitarian missions but you definitely want us by your side as we will go and execute what no other commands have the guts to make their men do. We are pure professional soldiers, not people who have just come from the streets.

War is what we do, war is what we live for, so that others don't have to and can enjoy the peace. Law and order is what we uphold!

Silly Jokes

From KAT users for KAT users

Someone once asked me...
"What is your job?"
I replied,
"I am my wife's sexual adviser."
Somewhat shocked, they said...
"I beg your pardon, but what do you mean by that?"
"Very simple. My wife has told me that when she 'wants my f***ing advice', she'll ask me for it."

Anyone who says marriage is an equal partnership is talking utter bollocks!.
I gave up my mates, my motorbike, drinking, drugs, and gambling...
All she gave up was f*ing sex!**

Four married guys go fishing. After an hour, the following conversation took place:
First guy: "You have no idea what I had to do to be able to come out fishing this weekend. I had to promise my wife that I will paint every room in the house next weekend."
Second guy: "That's nothing; I had to promise my wife that I will build her a new deck for the pool."
Third guy: "Man, you both have it easy! I had to promise my wife that I will remodel the kitchen for her."
They continue to fish when they realized that the fourth guy hasn't said a word. So they asked him. "You haven't said anything about what you had to do to be able to come fishing this weekend. What's the deal?"
Fourth guy: "I just set my alarm for 5:30 am. When it went off, I shut off the alarm, gave the wife a nudge and said, "Fishing or sex?" and she said, "Wear sunblock."

A very shy guy goes into a bar and sees a beautiful woman sitting at the other end. After an hour of gathering up his courage he finally goes over to her and asks, tentatively,
"Um, would you mind if I chatted with you for a while?"
To which she responds by yelling, at the top of her lungs,
"No, I won't sleep with you tonight!"
By now, the entire bar is staring at them.
Naturally, the guy is completely embarrassed and he slinks back to his place at the bar.
After about 10 minutes, the woman walks over to him and apologizes.
She smiles at him and says, "I'm sorry if I embarrassed you. You see, I'm a graduate student in psychology and I'm studying how people respond to embarrassing situations."
To which he responds, at the top of his lungs,
"What do you mean $300!"

MOVIE REVIEWS

by **shebra**

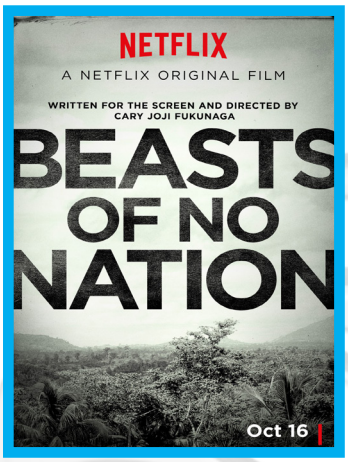
About Time (2013) – Domhnall Gleeson, Rachel McAdams, Bill Nighy. Dir. Richard Curtis

Richard Curtis is well known for his romantic comedies, including Four Weddings and a Funeral, Love Actually, and sitcoms such as Blackadder and Mr. Bean. About Time is less well known, and a bit of a "sleeper". After a relatively normal childhood in Cornwall, young Tim Lake at the age of 21, learns that the males in his family can travel backwards in time, to places and events they've attended. Tim decides to use his gift to help his budding relationships, though not always successfully.

After becoming a barrister, he does manage to manipulate time and events to finally settle with the love of his life, Mary, and they have their first of 3 children. Employing his unusual attribute to help others (sister and best buddy), Tim realizes he is unable to completely control life's inevitable events; there are limits to his gift, including an inability to prevent the death of his father from cancer. His dad's advice to "live each day once, and then a second time, really paying attention", ends up as Tim's most insightful discovery, as he realizes that being fully "present" the first time is what makes an extraordinary life. This romantic-comedy has delightful, biting comic moments, and some equally poignant ones. A hallmark of Curtis's films is superb casting, and About Time follows suit. It's a Great Escape constructed on a magical, whimsical premise, and leaves a viewer's heart happy and amused. **Rating: 8/10**

Blue is The Warmest Color (2013) – Adele Exarchopoulos, Lea Seudoux, Salim Kechiouche, Aurelien Recoing Dir. Abdellatif Kechiche

If you have not seen this coming-of age film, be prepared for a visceral and emotionally compelling movie. Young Adele's path to adulthood is fraught with dreams of love and the pleasures of intimacy. One of her classmates, a striking young man, reveals his deep ardor. However, Adele's path to self-discovery and her sexual identity changes when she meets Emma - a beauteous and elusive blue-haired girl – on the street, and Adele is immediately attracted. Emma is a self-assured art student who begins in earnest to court and bond with Adele, who discovers herself, her desires, and a complex relationship lasting over a decade. As Adele matures, she experiences events and complexities universal between lovers. The viewer is left with an incomplete but rich story as yet unfolding. The characters and performances are outstanding, the directing and editing excellent. A film well worth a first, and second viewing. **Rating: 9/10**



Beasts of No Nation (2015) Abraham Attah, Idris Elba, Emmanuel Nii Adom Quaye Dir. Cary Joji Fukunaga

Throughout the 20C and beyond, war-torn regions of Africa have given birth to a shocking new kind of "soldier" ; children, kidnapped, often drugged, and trained to kill on behalf of rebel leaders of various militias. The film is based on Uzodinma Iweala's novel of the same title, about the life of a child soldier. It is the first fictional film distributed through Netflix.

Agu is a young pre-adolescent boy. He is a beloved innocent, who has a simple and happy life with his family, though they live in a precarious zone in an unidentified country somewhere in West Africa, where refugees attempt to find a safe haven between warring factions. His mother and younger family members manage to escape the soon-conflicted area. After witnessing the brutal killing of his father and brother, Agu runs into the jungle, only to become a prisoner, then recruit of a despotic yet patriarchal Commandant. Agu learns that his survival, his home, his sense of belonging and family depends on his compliance and service to the manipulative Commandant, and learns how "A boy is a dangerous thing." He is a witness, and then a violent enforcer as he trains to be a warrior. He slaughters, yet remains a child in his heart and soul, his innocence and vulnerability echoed in the beauty of the jungle landscape. His monstrosities are made apparent, but more are intimated than actually shown. Agu's character becomes the poignant, potent face of all child soldiers, perpetrators of horrible violence, lost in pseudo-armies and inner moral paralysis. Eventually the powerful Commandant is shown up as a small player on a large stage, and his status and role diminish in the eyes of his young recruits. They abandon him for the safety of a UN company.

An emotional, oddly beautiful, and powerful film, the chaos of revolution and blatantly criminal war behavior is profoundly rendered by Fukunaga's incisive directing and singular cinematography. The actors' performances are strong, complex and sensitive. While ambitiously engaging, the purpose of this film is more elusive, and viewers will have many questions at its end.

Rating: 9/10

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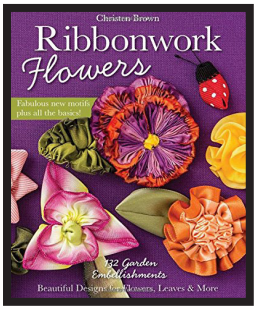
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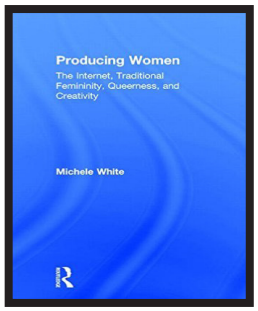

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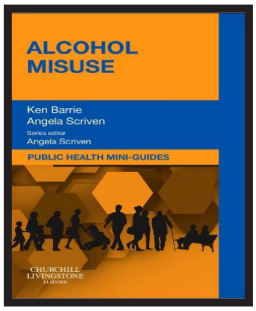

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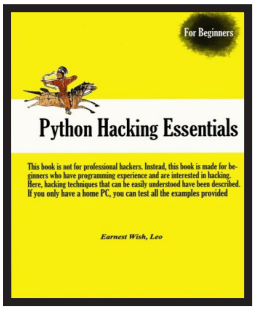
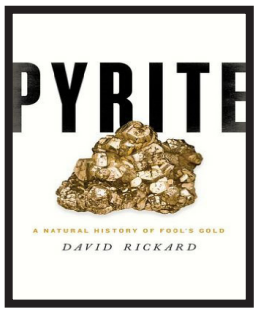


Python Hacking Essentials (2015)

This book is not for professional hackers. Instead, this book is made for beginners who have programming experience and are interested in hacking. Here, hacking techniques that can be easily understood have been described. If you only have a home PC, you can test all the examples provided here. I have included many figures that are intuitively understandable rather than a litany of explanations. Therefore, it is possible to gain some practical experience while hacking, since I have only used examples that can actually be implemented. This book is therefore necessary for ordinary people who have a curiosity of hackers and are interested in computers.



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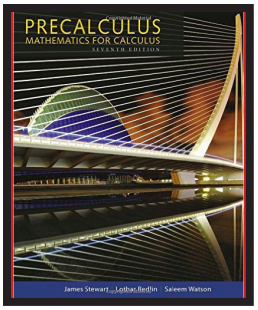

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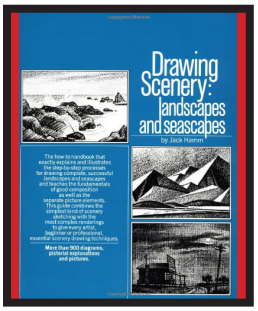

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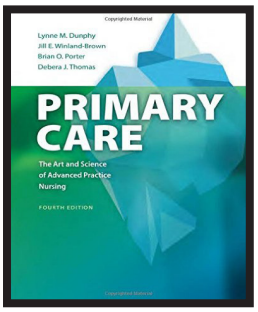

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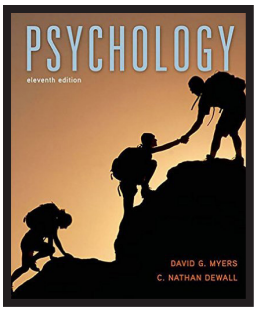

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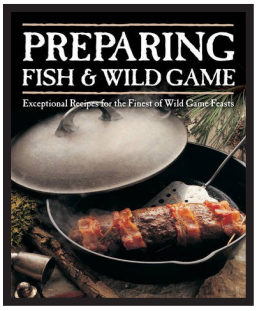

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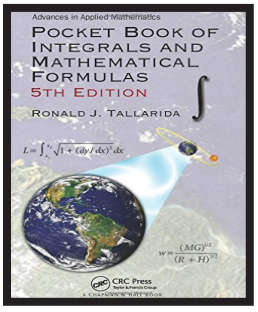

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By WarhoundOne

Introducing MoodieMimi Cookbook Specialist

By Star.Sapphire

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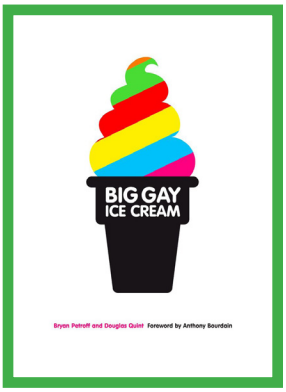
I asked a stock question: "What made you decide to start uploading your torrents?" I expected a standard answer. Instead, a story unfolded in which it was revealed "the first memorable desire of uploading came around when I had an early release of *The Food Lab*. … While snugging in the blanket to absorb every scientific detail of boiling an egg perfectly, I suddenly thought of the unfortunate folks who have boiled their eggs poorly all their lives. Yay for life-changing spiritual enlightenment …." Thus began my enjoyable interview with uploader MoodieMimi, who then went on to describe how she introduced herself when applying for uploader status: "I finally decided to go along the lines of 'Hi, I'm a crazy cat lady who loves cooking and I want to upload cookbooks.'"

Just in case it's not yet clear: cookbooks hold a special place in MoodieMimi's heart. She actually enjoys reading in general, though she admits that she's often looking for new uploads when she is reading. Yes, she also cooks – but when I asked whether she considers cooking to be a hobby, her answer surprised me: "cooking is not really a hobby for me, there was a phase I thought cooking = sexist." She then explained that cooking is an art that transcends gender. She states, "It took a while but I have evolved from the rebellious ramen to meditative cooking. I realize that food is a life force and cooking can be a pleasure rather than a chore. That still means I perform poorly under pressure of having to cook well or cooking for someone out of their self-entitled expectation. My chopping speed is super slow and it takes forever and a huge mess and lots of burnt bits to bake something edible, but I really enjoy myself in the process."

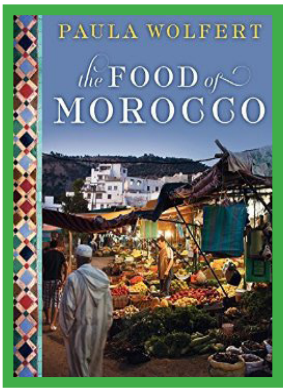
MoodieMimi describes the KAT community as a place that radiates infectious, positive energy. She also sends her thanks to the many folks who have helped her succeed at KAT.cr, including veteran cookbook uploaders, moderators, Chev.Chelios, MG., and OptimusPr1me. Personally, I found myself admiring her enthusiasm and regretting the necessary writer's task of having to condense her very comprehensive (and often funny) answers. Now let's have a look at a few of her uploads – some of her personal favorites – which she herself describes for us.



Big Gay Ice Cream

"The first is a quirky and refreshing book that I uploaded after reading the coming-out story of a Katian: Big Gay Ice Cream (featuring their signature Salty Pimp Sundae)."

Welcome to Big Gay Ice Cream's debut cookbook, a yearbook of ice cream accomplishments—all the recipes you need to create delicious frozen treats.
New to making ice cream at home? Never fear—freshman year starts off simple with store-bought toppings and shopping lists for the home ice cream parlor.
Sophomore year kicks it up a notch with tasty sauces and crunchy toppings.
Junior year puts your new skills to work with shakes, floats, and sundaes inspired by some of Big Gay Ice Cream's top-selling treats, including, of course, the Salty Pimp.
In Senior year, get serious with outrageously delicious sorbets and ice cream recipes.



The Food of Morocco

Paula Wolfert, the undisputed queen of Mediterranean cooking, provides food lovers with the definitive guide to The Food of Morocco. Lavishly photographed and packed with tantalizing recipes to please the modern palate, The Food of Morocco provides helpful preparation techniques for chefs, home cooks, and any serious student of the culinary arts and culture. This is the perfect companion to Wolfert's classic, Couscous and Other Good Food from Morocco—a 2008 inductee into the James Beard Cookbook Hall of Fame—and fans of Claudia Roden, Elizabeth David, Martha Rose Schulman, and Poopa Dweck will be delighted by this extraordinary culinary journey across this colorful and exhilarating land.

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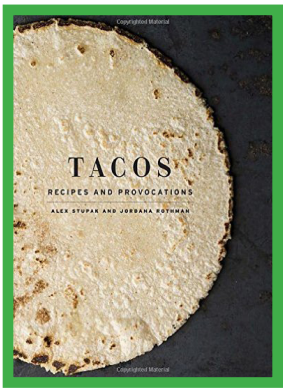
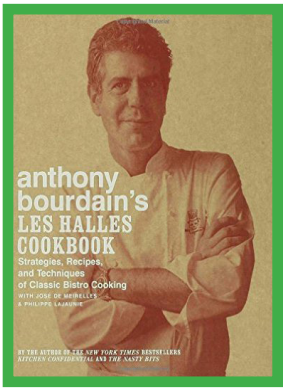


Tacos: Recipes and Provocations

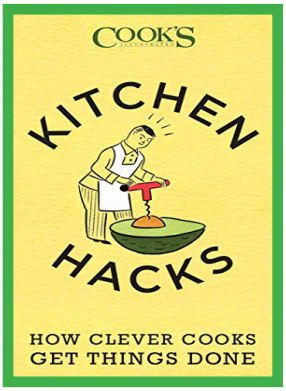
Superstar chef Alex Stupak's love of real Mexican food changed his life; it caused him to quit the world of fine-dining pastry and open the smash-hit Empellón Taqueria in New York City. Now he'll change the way you make--and think about--tacos forever.

TACOS is a deep dive into the art and craft of one of Mexico's greatest culinary exports. We start by making fresh tortillas from corn and flour, and variations that look to innovative grains and flavor infusions. Next we master salsas, from simple chopped condiments to complex moles that simmer for hours and have flavor for days. Finally we explore fillings, both traditional and modern--from a pineapple-topped pork al pastor to pastrami with mustard seeds.



Anthony Bourdain's Les Halles Cookbook

No one writes about food or cooking quite like Anthony Bourdain. In his books Kitchen Confidential and A Cook's Tour, Bourdain captivated readers all over the world with his gritty, action-packed tales of the kitchen. Now he brings his inimitable style and energy to Anthony Bourdain's Les Halles Cookbook. It features over a hundred mouth watering recipes from lobster bisque to cassoulet, and from boeuf bourguignon to creme brulee, all from Anthony's own restaurant, the Brasserie Les Halles in New York. Also including Anthony's words of wisdom and general principles, this is guaranteed to be as much a good read as a guide to cooking up a storm in the kitchen.

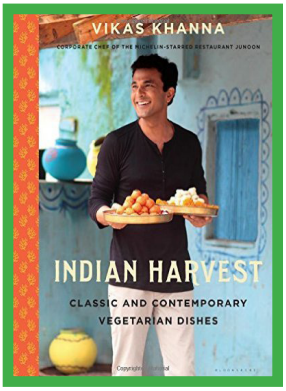


Kitchen Hacks: How Clever Cooks Get Things Done

Innovative solutions to everyday cooking challenges from our team of test kitchen MacGyvers—the test cooks at Cook's Illustrated magazine

A kitchen hack is an unusual, easier, and/or better way of performing a task that often saves money and time or improves the quality of the outcome. In this wacky but eminently useful collection of kitchen hacks, you will learn how to outsmart tricky tasks and face down kitchen challenges (big and small) with innovative and clever ideas from Quick Tips, the most popular feature in Cook's Illustrated magazine (900,000 circulation). Kitchen Hacks is a beautifully designed guidebook to hacking your kitchen . . . and beyond!

The final selection perhaps sheds some light on MoodieMimi's response to my question, "What is the perfect meal?" She replied, "Curry, with its exuberant and festive turmeric-colored display that brightens your mood instantly, the pungency of black mustard and chili that dances in your mouth and awakens your senses, the warmth of cumin and black pepper that hugs your tongue lovingly, the creamy and coconuty sauce that massages every tissue inside your mouth cheerfully, the fragrant curry leaves that relax your mind and body therapeutically...It's an irresistible feast of aroma, taste and texture, it's perfect!!!"



Indian Harvest: Classic and Contemporary Vegetarian Dishes

One of Vikas Khanna's favorite places in the world growing up was the garden he and his grandmother planted at their home in Amritsar, India. He would rush home from school to tend to the aromatic basil and cardamom, tomatoes, peas, and squash. His intimate knowledge of spices and produce would guide him on his journey to become the Michelin-starred chef at one of New York's most highly regarded Indian restaurants, Junoon. And this knowledge of nature's bounty and its seasons informs his inspiring and beautiful cookbook, in which vegetables are the star ingredients. Vegetables have always been integral to Indian cuisine, and Khanna's dishes expertly showcase their natural goodness, their flavor and color and hidden nuances.

"Hello, I'm FitGirl. I repack PC games into fit-fit-fit repacks, making them smaller, yet fully identical to originals after unpacking.
Some people call it magic, but I don't think so. Yes, you have to know a lot about compression, game resources, special tools. But at the end of the day it's like any other PC-related stuff. If you know it - you can rule it.
I don't see many geek girls around, and my husband sometimes calls me crazy for my hobby. He's a loving guy and fully supports me. :)
I'd really love to share my knowledge with those who would like to make repacks, but honestly don't have enough time yet. Too many games, too little time - and don't forget about life, you know!"

One Piece: Pirate Warriors 3 Gold Edition

ADVENTURES OF LUFFY AND HIS STRAW HAT CREW ARE COMING TO PC!

Enjoy the original story of ONE PIECE from Fuschia village, where everything started, to the kingdom of Dressrosa, a mysterious island dominated by the evil Donquixote. Doflamingo.

Gather every member of the Straw Hat Crew, like in the original story, sail to the most emblematic places and enter the most epic battles: Marineford, Fish-Man Island, Punk Hazard and Dressrosa!

Minimum requirements:
Operating System: Windows 7 / 8 / 8.1
Processor: Core2Duo 2.4GHz
RAM: 2 GB
Video Card: 512 MB Nvidia GeForce 8800 / ATI Radeon HD 3870
DirectX: 9.0c
HDD Space: 11 GB

WRC 5 FIA World Rally Championship

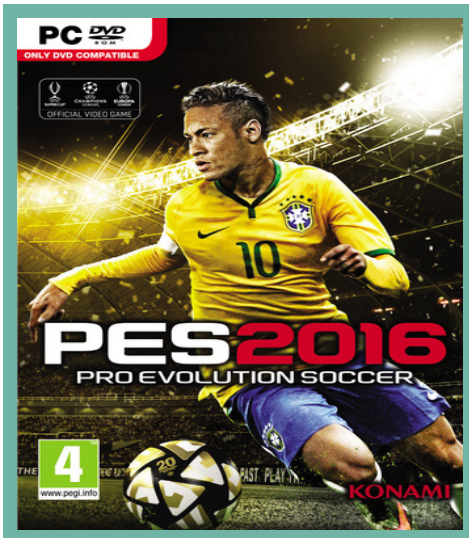
Find all the cars, all the drivers and all the official rallies of the 2015 FIA World Rally Championship in THE racing simulation standard. Feel the impact of the different road surfaces on how your vehicle handles thanks to a brand new physics engine that faithfully recreates the sensations of driving on gravel, snow, asphalt, dirt, ice and sand. Experience the spirit of the 13 rallies held around the world! Drive both night and day in sunshine, rain and snow.

Minimum requirements:
Operating System: Windows® 7
Processor: Intel® Core i3 / AMD Phenom™ II X2
RAM: 4 GB
Video Card: NVIDIA® GeForce® 9800 GTX / AMD Radeon™ HD 5750
DirectX: 9.0c (DX11 supported)
HDD Space: 19 GB (~47 GB during installation)

Sid Meier's Civilization: Beyond Earth - Rising Tide

After the first wave of great colony ships departed Earth, the jubilation of humanity was short-lived. Those left behind fell into a violent struggle over the quickly-diminishing resources on their barren home world. From this tumultuous time, two new factions arose. These newcomers were grounded not in the idealism of their predecessors, but on opportunism, resilience, ruthlessness, and above all a commitment to their own survival.

Minimum requirements:
Operating System: Windows® Vista SP2/ Windows® 7
Processor: Intel Core 2 Duo 1.8 GHz or AMD Athlon X2 64 2.0 GHz
RAM: 2 GB
Video Card: 256 MB ATI HD3650 or better, 256 MB nVidia 8800 GT or better, or Intel HD 3000 or better integrated graphics
DirectX: 11
HDD Space: 7 GB



Pro Evolution Soccer 2016

The award winning series returns packed with new features in its 20th anniversary year.

PES 2016 comes with a whole host of new and improved features that is set to raise the bar once again in a bid to retain its title of 'Best Sports Game':

PES 2016 is the Official Video Game of UEFA Champions League, UEFA Europa League and UEFA Super Cup; celebrate its 20th anniversary with the most advanced football game ever. Love the Past, Play the Future!

Minimum requirements:
Operating System: Windows 10 / 8.1 / 8 / 7 SP1 / Vista SP2
Processor: Intel Core 2 Duo @ 1.8 GHz or equivalent processor
RAM: 1 GB
Video Card: nVidia GeForce 8800 / ATI Radeon X1600 / Intel HD Graphics 3000 or better
DirectX: 9.0c
HDD Space: 7-11 GB (depending on selected commentary packs)

Act of Aggression

Set in the near-future, Act of Aggression is an explosive techno-thriller real-time strategy game hailing from the Golden Era of RTS. With three global super-powers, there can be only one victory.

Across three distinct factions each armed with the greatest modern and prototype military weaponry, head into some of the world's most volatile conflict zones, building bases for mass production, establishing resource supply lines, and waging war in Eugen Systems' explosive RTS.

Minimum requirements:
Operating System: Windows Vista/Windows 7/Windows 8
Processor: AMD/Intel Dual-Core 2.5 Ghz
RAM: 2 GB
Video Card: 512 Mb 100% DirectX 10 Compatible
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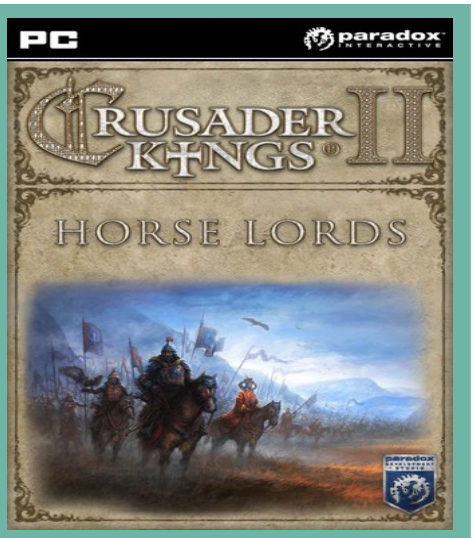
HDD Space: 10 GB (~18 GB during installation)



Crusader Kings 2: Horse Lords

Crusader Kings II: Horse Lords is the ninth expansion for the best-selling strategy RPG Crusader Kings II, and offers expanded gameplay based around the dynamic and vibrant nomadic cultures of the Eurasian steppes.

Introducing new systems and game mechanics such as a new government form as well as the possibility of having tributary states, this expansion will also provide you with the opportunity to saddle up and build your empire from horseback.

Minimum requirements:
Operating System: XP/Vista/ Windows 7
Processor: Intel® Pentium® IV 2.4 GHz or AMD 3500+
RAM: 2 GB
Video Card: NVIDIA® GeForce 8800 or ATI Radeon® X1900, 512mb graphics memory required.
DirectX: 9.0c
HDD Space: 1.5 GB (~2.2 GB during installation)

All Game Titles Are Clickable Links to Torrents

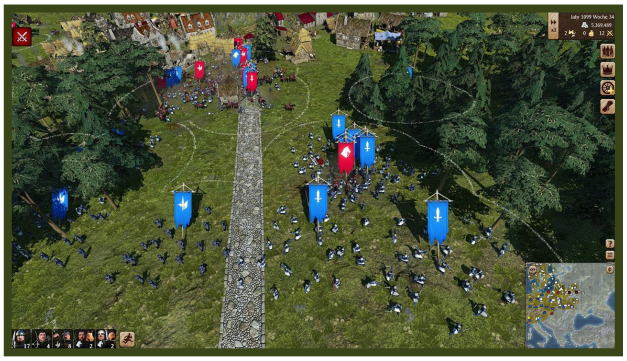
Game Name : Grand Ages : Medieval
Developers : Gaming Minds Studios
Rating : 4.5/10 (2.5/5)
Reviewed by : HuLkWaR

REVIEW

If you are fan of RTS games then you've probably heard of *Game Minds Studios*. Developers that created games such as Patrician IV, Port Royale and surprisingly good Rise of Venice are bringing us another RTS special Grand Ages : Medieval.

When I first started playing **Grand Ages Medieval** I didn't expect a lot. Knowing *Game Minds Studios* and their previous releases I made a sort of a rule about them which is, "Every game is a slightly more improved copy of an earlier release." Following that, I'm disappointed to say that they did it again. Just like before => **Port Royale 3** was a copy of **Patrician IV** and now **Grand Ages Medieval** is a copy of Rise of Venice. And it's not even a good copy. While Rise of Venice was a good, revolutionary surprise back in 2013, now GA: Medieval is a big failure. Now that I have expressed my anger towards *Game Minds* let's actually bring out the facts and review this "RTS game".

There are two game modes : Campaign and Sandbox. If you choose Campaign, the game will start in the year 1050 in the Balkans and follows your rise from simple merchant through Lord and King and then finally Emperor. There is a good story mode alongside with "more accurate than expected" European map. Once you start the Campaign you will go through a brief tutorial where you can learn game essentials and that's it. You're on to a journey of establishing domination over other European countries.



To make this happen you need to start off building up your economy by improving small cities, making and negotiating new trade routes and later on building your own "metropolis" and conquering others. The whole game is based on economical power and domination which is accomplished through trading. Yes, you've read it right, almost everything is based on trading. You basically establish a trading route between two cities that have different goods, build a road, create a small military unit, put it in a middle of a route and wait. Just wait hoping that your trader won't be attacked by some sort of bandit group, and if he gets attacked that your "army" will save him. Another important point, there is only one trader per city. No matter how much you upgrade your city you will still only be able to have one, and I repeat, only one trader, and considering the whole game is based on trading - that's a big handicap.

Now you probably think that, if the trading is so important then there's probably good trading interface where you can do this and that... let me interrupt you here. There's not. Trading management process is over-complicated. Rather than making it simple, developers chose to over-do it which leads you to getting lost in all available options and tweaks, even though half of them are completely unnecessary.

Since trading is the foundation of your territory and big source of money, you can end up getting lost in management system which leads to the crash of your whole economy once your empire starts growing. In the beginning everything seems great but once you expand your territory the game becomes too complicated. You will get stuck at some easy parts and fail, a lot, just because management is too complicated. Your money will go to unnecessary stuff and upgrades rather than balancing and sustaining economical wealth. And another thing, once you end up with 0 cash you can't borrow it.

Military and war system is complete (no offense) rubbish. Once your troops are fighting with someone there is no strategic option where you can change your troop's formations, styles of attack etc. During my campaign I had a few fights and I realized that war is based on quantity not quality. So basically you can send in 2,000 elite soldiers on 5,000 "villagers" and end up with only 100 survivors or even with losing the whole battle. What's the point of having expensive, "elite" troops if they can't even quell the uprising. Morale of soldiers is also terribly done.

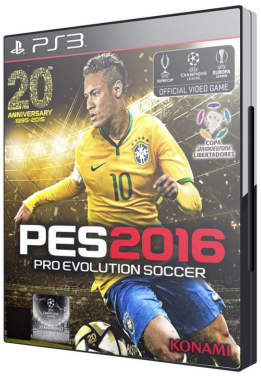
I was also disappointed with the Balkans and the accuracy of the placement of certain towns and their names. Good thing about this is that if you decide to build a town, it will auto-name it according to historical positions of other towns. And I was very happy with the graphics. Well done, mostly accurate and good quality map of Europe.

Things I liked : [PROS]
Trading System and Mechanics
Good Graphics
Good map
Story mode

Things I didn't like : [CONS]
Complicated Management system
Interface
AI and game decisions
Poor Military and Politics system
Game is too much based on trading
Disappointing strategy game overall

Conclusion is basically written inside beginning of my review. All in all game is copy of previous releases, big fail in RTS world and absolutely not worth it's price. Game is sold for £29.99/€44.99/$39.99 and is available both on consoles and PC which is way too much.

So, I suggest you get this game from KAT for free, if you still want it after my review.



PES 2016 Review.
Reviewer: HuLkWaR
Game Name : Pro Evolution Soccer 2016
Developers : KONAMI
Mark : 9/10 (4.5/5

Return of the king. - **Gamespot**
Best football game ever. – **IGN.**
The King is dead. Long live the king. – **Kotaku**

Those above were some of the first reviews of PES 16. When I looked at them I felt a huge adrenaline rush going through my body and the only thing going through my mind was: "I must have this game! It would be awesome!"

<u>But is PES really that good this year?</u>
Well perhaps a better question would be: "How much has PES improved from past two years?" After PES 14, which destroyed everything earlier versions have built up so far, then with PES 15, KONAMI rose from the ashes and now we have PES 16.

Is it disappointing? Disastrous? Terrible? **No**.
This year my expectations from PES 16 were huge. And I'm happy to say that KONAMI did great work this year with PES 16.

Ok, let's get this started. First thing you will notice is that gameplay is a lot faster but not as fast and smooth as it was expected to be, and before you even ask : Yes, PES is different on consoles compared to PC. The Game itself is much more optimized and smoother than PES 15. Menu has not changed at all which I personally like. Things are more accessible and you have the ability to choose your favorites so that they will always appear at your home screen. There is favorite team option which, when selected, shows cool animation of your favorite team players.

As I said, gameplay is a lot faster and fluid and if you choose a good-paced player, it's a lot easier to cut through opponents defense and cross a ball in but that's all you can do. In earlier versions of PES you could notice that every cross in box is goal but this year it's a big NO NO. You can see players struggling in box for a spot and if you have strong players defending, scoring a header is almost impossible. So in this PES you won't see Messi scoring a header with Mertesacker in defense, which is massive improvement from past years releases.

Formations are a lot more customizable and you can select whatever you want, including ridiculous 4-0-6. ;) Another thing is fluid formation, where you can choose from 3 different formations and change them in the game which is quite useful and a good strategic option.

Players feel agile and responsive and you have the feeling that you are in the game. Game requires fast thinking and quick reactions from you. If you fail to provide that you will probably end up losing 5-0.

When it comes to graphics, PES 16 improved players details, facial expressions and on-pitch actions. But that's unfortunately it. Field, grass, ball, audience, stadium, banners are not improved at all. It just feels like developers decided to skip this and focus all their time and work into players and gameplay itself. Now let's talk about game modes. You can play an exhibition match where you have additional option to select game from competitions UEFA Champions League, COPA LIBERTADORES, COPA SUDAMERICANA, and AFC Champions League which feels amazing and brings you closer to that real game feeling.

Of course there are standard Cups and Leagues as well as MyClub online mode, Become a Legend and Master League. Master League is improved compared to earlier releases of the game. Menu is completely new and at the end of every month you'll see a detailed report of how you played, where you scored, when you scored, player's statistics etc. This game mode is excellent for single-players and has a lot of cut-scenes included which is again a big +.

I will not review MyClub as I don't like playing it and to be honest it's nothing but a bad copy of FIFA's Ultimate Team.

Online gaming is improved. Servers are more stable and there is a less chance of getting "server connection error" and being kicked out of the game. You can check out the servers status and more info here: SERVER STATUS

This year's commentary is terrible. Literally terrible! While in FIFA you can enjoy listening to commentators and never get bored with their jokes, in PES commentators are mechanical. Lot of same stuff is repeated over and over. They will often end up saying nothing but a "goal" once you score one which annoyed me and resulted in disabling commentary for every match.

Another big failure are licenses. EPL is called English League and teams have ridiculous names like "North London (Arsenal), West Midlands Village (Aston Villa), London FC (Chelsea), West Glamorgan City (Swansea City)" and end up with funny, not recognizable kits. You can fix this manually by installing a patch or changing team names in edit mode. Full list of correct and real team names can be found here: TEAM NAMES

Things I liked : [pros]
Gameplay
Master League
Online Experience
Strategic Options
UEFA Champions League (YAY!)
Menus, Physics, and interface

Things I didn't like : [cons]
Graphics could be better (Sweet FX should fix it)
Commentary (absolutely disappointing and terrible)
Licenses (if you don't like playing as London Blue install PTEPatch)
MyClub (why copying FIFA?)
Become a Legend (would be nice if they added more story and cut-scenes like 2k does with NBA)

Let's sum it up. Although PES 16 is not the "best football game ever" it has a lot of improvements and all in all is "this year's best football game". I recommend playing it if you are fan of sports related games. Game is available to download on KAT here.

DOWNLOAD IT HERE

Silly Jokes

From KAT users for KAT users

"Look, Charlie," the coach said, "you know the principles of good sportsmanship. You also know the Little League doesn't allow temper tantrums, shouting at the umpire, or abusive language, right?"
"Yes sir, I understand."
"Good, Charlie. Now, could you go explain all that to your father, please!"

A pirate walks into a bar with a peg leg, a parrot on his shoulder, and a steering wheel on his pants.
The bartender says, "Hey, you've got a steering wheel on your pants."
The pirate says, "Arrrrgh, I know. It's driving me nuts."

A Jewish daughter says to her mother, "I'm divorcing Irving. All he wants is sex, sex and more sex. My vagina is now the size of a 50 cent piece when it used to be the size of a nickel. "
Her mother says, "You're married to a multi-millionaire businessman, you live in an 8 bedroom mansion, you drive a $350,000 Ferrari, you get $3,000 a week allowance, you take 6 vacations a year and you want to throw all that away...over 45 cents???"

This beautiful woman one day walks into a Doctor's office and he is bowled over by how stunningly awesome she is. All his professionalism goes right out the window.
He tells her to take off her pants, she does, and he starts rubbing her thighs.
"Do you know what I am doing?" asks the Doctor?
"Yes, checking for abnormalities." she replies.
He tells her to take off her shirt and bra, she takes them off. The doctor begins rubbing her breasts and asks, "Do you know what I am doing now?"
She replies, "Yes, checking for cancer."
Finally, he tells her to take off her panties, lays her on the table, gets on top of her and starts having sex with her.
He says to her, "Do you know what I am doing now?"
She replies, "Yes, you're getting herpes - that's why I am here!"

A teacher asks her class, "What do you want to be when you grow up?"
Little Johnny says "I wanna be a billionaire, going to the most expensive clubs, take the best bitch with me, give her a Ferrari worth over a million bucks, an apartment in Hawaii, a mansion in Paris, a jet to travel through Europe, an Infinite Visa Card and to make love to her three times a day".
The teacher, shocked, and not knowing what to do with the bad behavior of the child, decides not to give importance to what he said and then continues the lesson.
"And you, Susie? " the teacher asks.
Susie says "I wanna be Johnny's bitch."

Poetry by wee_wiwie

Hidden Heartache

How do I react
How do I grieve
When I lost you to someone else
When you're not mine to begin with.

What do I say
What do I do
When my heart breaks to pieces
When you're happy holding her close.

I should have known
I should have seen it
The way you said I have you with me
The way you said keep it between you and me.

Now I can't even show that I'm sad
Now I can't even show that I'm heartbroken
For no one knows you've held my hands
For no one knows I was there before her.

What is Love

When the skies cry through the night
When the stars dulled, no longer shine
I'll surrender, ending my fight
For your heart is no longer mine.

I don't ask much, just a lil bit of your time
Even 5 minutes, that's more than fine
Yet so many things occupied your mind
Off you go, leaving me behind.

It's okay, I don't mind - I lied yet again
You'd never truly care, so I hid the pain
I keep my distance, feeling so lost
What is love, when it hurts you the most.

A Soldier's Belief

I enlisted to serve my nation,
Peace and democracy I wanted to bolster,
I wanted to help create a new foundation
So, I put on a uniform, and I became a soldier.

But, there is a secret that we all might forget;
Whether it is by accident or by deliberate regret.
I don't want to be a hero,
I don't want to die,
I don't want to leave a widow,
Nor do I want a flag at half-mast in the sky.

When I felt my life was coming to an end,
Fighting back the tears in my eyes,
War and combat in my soul,
Out here on patrol
But, I will always think back at a soldiers only prize.
I will always remember the sadness and the cost;
At what was won,
and then what sadly was lost.
I just wanted to go home
I just wanted to defend and protect,
I wish to be remembered and not left unknown
I just want to forget and not to reflect.
A little respect, no neglect.
Some time to dissect
and reconnect.

Soldier On…Wayward Son…

My life's been full of regrets from the past,
But I stand tall and continue to last.
I will not give up at the fight of the day,
Soldier on I must…and pave the way.

I have turned a new page in my life,
In this journey called living.
Soldier on I must and never stop giving.
I share my stories and continue to pray,
and ask the Lord to show me and say…
Soldier on my child…and I will carry you all the way...

Poetry By watertiger

Broken Bird

When dreams die
Life becomes like
A broken bird
Unable to fly
Thus
My dreams
If I had any
Must have died
Long time ago
For since I can remember
I am dragging my feet
When I should be flying

Beneath the Skin

Just beneath the surface
Of good mannered civility
Kept tight on the short leash
Of cultivated likability
Growls the ferocious beast
Tearing at its restraint
It pulls to and fro
To snap its tether
If it is fed
It kills
If it is starved
It retaliates
If it is ignored
It lies in wait
If it is faced but not stirred
It is perplexed
If it is observed but not summoned
It is pacified
If it is touched by kindness
It vanishes

Anime Reviews

By *Atikiller*

Afro Samurai

Afro Samurai tells the story of Afro who's a samurai, with an afro. Afro wants to take revenge for his father that was killed right in front of his eyes. Killed, or got his head ripped off. That takes us to the main storyline.

Story : 6/10

So, in order to take revenge on the man who killed his father, who happens to be the Number One headband owner, Afro is seeking the Number Two headband. Because only Number Two has the right to challenge Number One and become number one. Number One, named Justice, is considered the most powerful man and feared by everyone, which means that everyone wants a chance to challenge him and that chance is the Number Two headband. Afro makes his way through and gets into fights, kills and almost gets killed, that's how it goes through the whole movie. Story is kinda poor, nothing much happens except some master-student drama, betrayal and the usual stuff. You'd get bored if it wasn't for the art and/or music. Which both remind me of the real thing, Samurai Champloo.

Art : 7/10

Art is pretty decent, mainly dark and fairly detailed. Setting is that of old Japan, which was well done with a modern touch when it comes to guns and weapons you'll see while watching. Fight scenes are very fluid and full of action (found myself wanting more fight scenes since story wasn't much).

Characters : 7/10

Art takes us to characters and their design. Of course, Afro gets most of the details, facial expressions (even though he doesn't show much) and mainly, the pale white and black clothes suit him very well, nothing much to say about the afro since as Luffy said once "Does the champion make the afro, or does the afro make the champion?" I'll let you find an answer to that question by yourselves. :p
Support characters are his inner self, white-haired afro, which is the scaredy gangsta type. Jinno, the one with the bear head, the long lost friend, very good at dual weilding blades. Justice, the badass quick gun-fighter, owner of the Number One headband and killer of Afro's father, also final boss. Rest of the characters are Afro's friends from the old days and other people he fights along the way.

Music : 6/10

Mainly Rap/Hip-hop music which I think it wasn't bad at all, except that Samurai Champloo was first to come up with the concept of mixing old with new. It wasn't bad in Afro Samurai but still, it lacked originality in my opinion. Other than that, nothing much to be said about it.

Voice Acting : 8/10

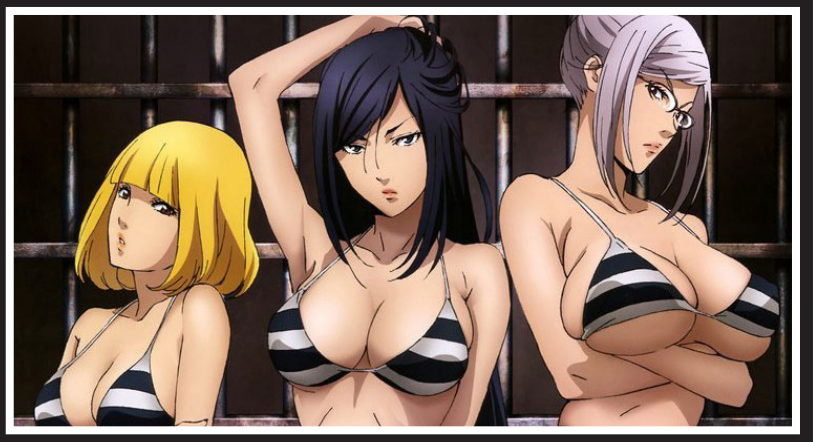
Not a fan of dubbed anime by any means, I even tend to hate it. That wasn't the case with Afro Samurai, it was originally made in English so I had no choice but to watch it as it is. The thing is that I liked it but that didn't make me like dubbed anime. I liked it because... c'mooon, Samuel L. Jackson, anyone ? I mean, you can't help but like it.

To wrap it up, if you watched Samurai Champloo, loved it and want similar stuff or are just interested in Samurai anime and good animation and don't mind a dull, traditional storyline, then Afro Samurai is for you. Note that I'm reviewing the 1st movie which is a recap of the 5 episode anime. The sequel is Afro Samurai : Resurrection. Might give it a shot in the next issue.

Prison School

Just finished Prison School and thought of giving it a shot and reviewing it right after getting it done. Note that I haven't read the manga, so I don't know how much the 12 eps covered and if it was or not loyal to the original stuff.

So, Prison School tells the story of five guys, five guys who enroll in a formerly all-girls boarding school, and that only makes you expect a lot. None of the guys have ever made any kind of contact with girls, girls that are putting them in quaratine cause of the Student Council's strict rules, rules that consist of punishing any girl that makes contact with any of the boys. That takes us to the fun part : Any students that break the rules go to prison. Prison is what it sounds like, a prison in the middle of school grounds.



Story : 7/10

So yeah, there won't be any story without our boys going to prison, stuff happens (avoiding spoilers), they get sentenced for one month and it all starts there. That lead to lots of... PLOT, and plot is always welcome, right ? It was the good kind of plot but with censorship, a bit meh (I recommend you wait for the BD release since the wait is totally worth it). Anyways, story was decent, not so great but better than most new stuff. I liked the way the guys plotted everything, especially in the last episodes.

Art : 8/10

Once again, better than most of the new stuff which is a plus for me. Fluid animation and well designed characters, more or less. I would say it was perfect when it had to be but minor flaws every now and then, as usual, minor because you wouldn't spot them unless you look closely fater pausing, which no sane person would do. But yeah, good to see that quality animation still exists.

Characters : 9/10

Best thing about the whole thing are the characters. The boys, Kiyoshi, Shingo, Joe, Andre and Goz-Takehito. They're so... unique. Uniqueness « shows » the most on Andre cuz of his head (and brave masochist soul), Joe with the poor physic and love for ants, Takehito and his admiration and love for the Three Kingdoms, really, a true samurai. Kiyoshi, your typical perverted (note that they're all perverts) main character, then Shingo, the Yankee. You better discover the rest by watching. As a guy, I admired Kiyoshi and Takehito's teamwork. :p

Supportning characters don't lack in quality either, Student Council girls have their unique "traits" as well and they add A LOT to the PLOT.

Voice Acting/Music : 9/10

Didn't pay much attention to the music to be honest since I watched it in one sitting but it was good I think, it fit the whole thing, can't complain about it or about the voice-acting, heck, voice-acting was even perfect. Perfect as usual I mean, since Japs are best when it comes to that area.

To wrap it up, if you're into sex jokes, not bothered by nudity and panty shots, if you'd like a good Ecchi and Comedy mix for the weekend or if you're even looking for something similar to (and much much better than) Highschool DxD, then Prison School is for you. If not, then please, stay away from it.

By the end of the 12th and last episode, I found myself thinking about whether I'm an ass man or boobs man... and I can't really tell since it's a " hard" choice.

Silly Jokes

From KAT users for KAT users

A doctor had just finished a marathon sex session with one of his patients.
He was resting afterwards and was feeling a bit guilty because he thought it wasn't really ethical to screw one of his patients.
However, a little voice in his head said,
"Lots of other doctors have sex with their patients so it's not like you're the first.".
This made the doctor feel a little bit better until still another voice in his head said,
"...but they probably weren't veterinarians!"

Apple = Vitamins
Vitamins = Power
Power = Work
Work = Money
Money = GF
GF = Tension
Tension = Heart Attack
Heart Attack = Death
See all the problems an Apple A Day Can Make

An Englishman, an Irishman, a Scotsman, a German, a Frenchman, an Indian, a Chinaman and an American walk into bar.
Barman stops them and says 'Sorry lads, you can't come in here without a Thai'.

Met a great looking Chinese girl last night,
she said "I'm so horny I'll do anything you want".
I said "How about a 69?"
She said "piss off I'm not cooking at this time of night!!"

Sometimes...when you cry...no one sees your tears...sometimes...when you are happy... no one sees your smile...
But fart just one time...

I don't really like watching basketball, live or on TV.
I just watch it to find out who the next member of the Kardashian family will be.

Calvin and Hobbes

By Rhodes

I don't remember when I first saw this marvelous duo, all I remember is that it was love at first sight. I suddenly came out of the child 'soft and sweet' comic books to an 'acid and funny' comic strip in the Sunday newspaper. I felt myself drugged with the new approach. They are not the unique comic strip I like, I stop to read even a scratch with a balloon, but with them I stand amazed. Yes folks, I am talking about **Calvin and Hobbes**, some of you may have notice them around KAT, don't know why though!

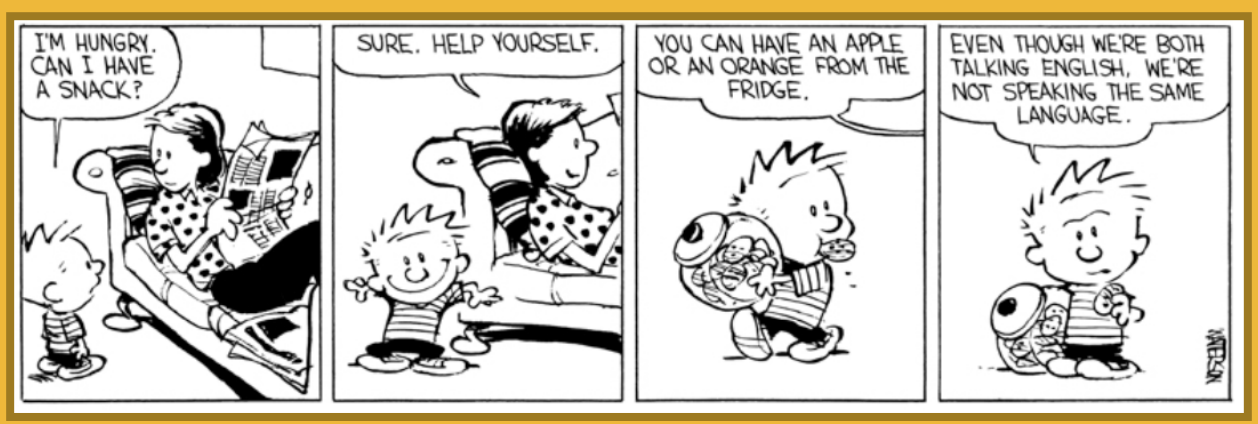
For those who don't know the pair, Calvin is an ordinary 6 year old boy who hates homework, school, daily meals and the courageous babysitter Rosalyn – the only one up to take care of him in exchange for a few bucks – while his parents are getting some quality time out of the home.

When not in school, he likes to enjoy his free time, at the edge, with his best imaginary friend Hobbes, a wise and sardonic stuffed tiger. Together they face real life with childish innocence, propose ideas and, of course, entertain adults and kids. Following here you'll find some of the 3,000+ comics published from November 1985 until December 1995 in more than 2,000 newspapers around the world. Hope you enjoy this great art of *Bill Watterson*, their creator.

SO LONG, POP! I'M OFF TO CHECK MY TIGER TRAP!
I RIGGED A TUNA FISH SANDWICH YESTERDAY, SO I'M SURE TO HAVE A TIGER BY NOW!
THEY LIKE TUNA FISH, HUH?
TIGERS WILL DO ANYTHING FOR A TUNA FISH SANDWICH!
WE'RE KIND OF STUPID THAT WAY.
MUNCH MUNCH
WATTERSON

The First Strip

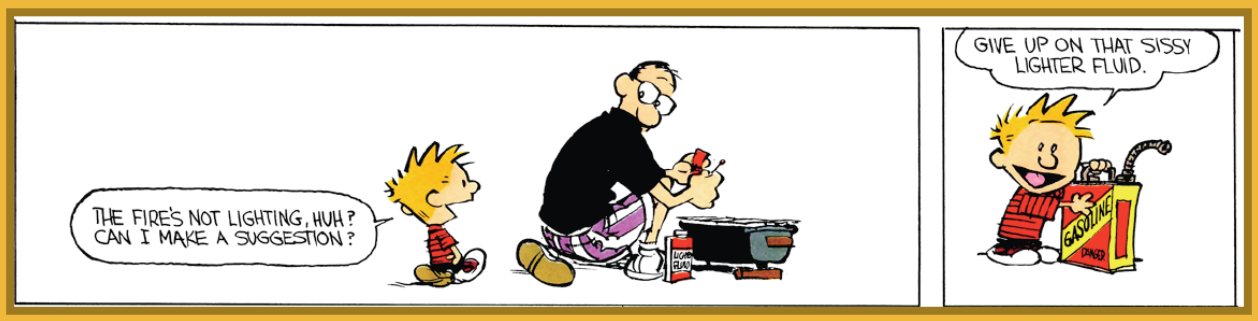
WANT TO KNOW A FUNNY TRICK? WHEN SOMEBODY ISN'T LOOKING, YOU TIE HIS SHOES TOGETHER!
HA HA! THAT'S GREAT! LET'S GO FIND SOME SUCKER TO PULL IT ON!
YEAH!
WELL, WELL!
CLUNK!
WOO HOO HOO HOO HO
JUMP
JUMP
WATTERSON


I'M HUNGRY. CAN I HAVE A SNACK?
SURE. HELP YOURSELF.
YOU CAN HAVE AN APPLE OR AN ORANGE FROM THE FRIDGE.
EVEN THOUGH WE'RE BOTH TALKING ENGLISH, WE'RE NOT SPEAKING THE SAME LANGUAGE.
WATTERSON

I've loved comic strips as long as I can remember. As a kid, I knew I wanted to be either a cartoonist or an astronaut. The latter was never much of a possibility, as I don't even like riding in elevators. I kept my options open until seventh grade, but when I stopped understanding math and science, my choice was made. —Bill Watterson, creator of Calvin and Hobbes

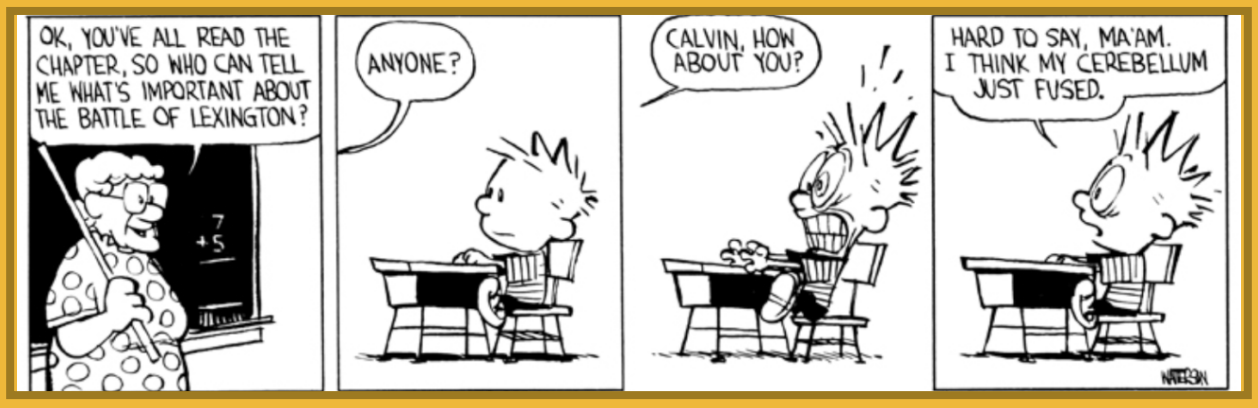
AREN'T THESE LONG SUMMER DAYS GREAT? NO RESPONSIBILITIES AT ALL! WE HAVE THE WHOLE DAY TO OURSELVES.
DON'T YOU WISH IT COULD BE LIKE THIS ALL YEAR, FOREVER? NO SCHOOL, NO JOB, NO ANYTHING?
!
YEAH, JUST GLOAT ABOUT IT, WHY DON'T YOU!!

Calvin's name was inspired by John Calvin, a French theologian (see Calvinism) whose' writing was about human frailty and an inclination to promote evil to his next reader.



Hobbes' name was inspired by Thomas Hobbes, an English philosopher (known for his work on political philosophy), that once said "Man is wolf to man."

IF YOU COULD HAVE THREE WISHES GRANTED, WHAT WOULD THEY BE?
JUST THREE WISHES, HUH? HMM... THAT WOULD BE A TOUGH DECISION.
I GUESS I'D HAVE TO THINK ABOUT IT A WHILE.
OOPS! HANG ON.
OK, I KNOW WHAT MY FIRST WISH WOULD BE.


OK, YOU'VE ALL READ THE CHAPTER, SO WHO CAN TELL ME WHAT'S IMPORTANT ABOUT THE BATTLE OF LEXINGTON?
7
+5
ANYONE?
CALVIN, HOW ABOUT YOU?
HARD TO SAY, MA'AM. I THINK MY CEREBELLUM JUST FUSED.
WATTERSON

Although obtaining monetary payment for his drawings, Bill Watterson professes an anti-capitalist and anti-merchandising feeling and expressly forbids his publisher to sell the rights to bring to market products based on his art.

I DON'T WANNA TAKE A BATH! I HATE TAKING BATHS!
AAAAAAAAAAAA
NO NO NO NO
NO NO NO NO
NO NO NO
NO NO NO
NO
THEY CAN MAKE ME DO IT, BUT THEY CAN'T MAKE ME DO IT WITH DIGNITY.
WATTERSON

Calvin and Hobbes
WOW, IT REALLY SNOWED LAST NIGHT! ISN'T IT WONDERFUL?
EVERYTHING FAMILIAR HAS DISAPPEARED! THE WORLD LOOKS BRAND-NEW!
A NEW YEAR... A FRESH, CLEAN START!
IT'S LIKE HAVING A BIG WHITE SHEET OF PAPER TO DRAW ON!
A DAY FULL OF POSSIBILITIES!
IT'S A MAGICAL WORLD, HOBBES, OL' BUDDY...
...LET'S GO EXPLORING!

The Last Strip

Bill Watterson is the creator of Calvin and Hobbes, one of the most popular and well-regarded cartoon strips of the 20th century. Watterson drew the strip from its debut runV on November 18, 1985, to December 31, 1995. In 1986, Watterson became the youngest person to win the prestigious Reuben Award for "Outstanding Cartoonist of the Year" from the National Cartoonists Society. He won the award again in 1988, and was also nominated for the honor in 1992.

The Complete Calvin and Hobbes can be found HERE

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Audio Books

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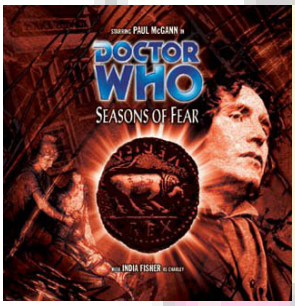
GA - Rogue Angel 55 - Beneath Still Water

A wrecked German bomber…key to the secrets of the Third Reich?
All it took was one phone call and TV show host and archaeologist Annja Creed is in mortal danger. Her producer Doug Morrell has been abducted by a greedy treasure hunter who's seeking the lost raubgold, or looted gold of Nazi Germany. The terms are simple: retrieve the bounty and Doug lives. Fail, and he dies…
Because once greed drives a man to violence, nothing will stop him.



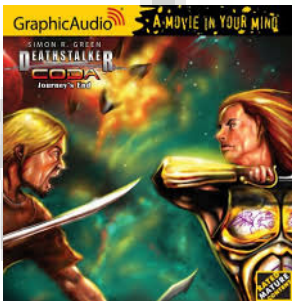
BF - 030 - Paul McGann - Seasons of Fear

On New Year's Eve, 1930, the Doctor lets Charley keep her appointment at the Raffles Hotel in Singapore. But his unease at what he's done to time by saving her life soon turns into fear. Sebastian Grayle: immortal, obsessed, ruthless, has come to the city to meet the Time Lord. To the Doctor, he's a complete stranger, but to Grayle, the Doctor is an old enemy. An enemy that, many years ago, he finally succeeded in killing. And this is his only chance to gloat.

BF - Dredd Chronicles

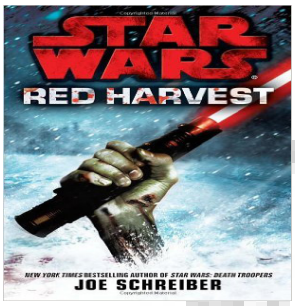
1.01. Judge Dredd: Crime Chronicles - Stranger Than Truth

Captured and imprisoned by Judge Dredd, author Truman Kaput has spent years in the Mega-City One iso-cubes, his work banned. His crime: writing lurid detective novels in which the fictitious Slick Dickens repeatedly outwits the cowardly bully Judge Dredd. Now a New Truman Kaput novel is being serialised, and each chapter predicts an imminent murder with chilling accuracy.



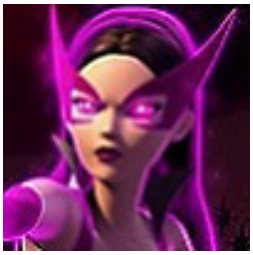
GA - DeathStalker 8 - Coda

Following the end of their quest to find the legendary Owen Deathstalker, Lewis and his group of Madness Maze survivors take the new rebel fleet in search of allies. On the Empire's homeworld, the exiled King Douglas begins to marshal his own forces amidst the outcasts of the Rookery, enlisting a number of unlikely elements to his cause. And the mightiest Deathstalker of them all plunges into the timestream to confront the relentless mad hunger of the being called the Terror.



AA - Star Wars Legends - 03 - Red Harvest

Unlike other young Jedi sidelined to the Agricultural Corps—those whose abilities have not proved up to snuff—Hestizo Trace possesses one extraordinary Force talent: a gift with plants. But suddenly her quiet existence among greenhouse and garden specimens is violently destroyed by the arrival of an emissary from Darth Scabrous, a Sith Lord with a fanatical dream poised to become nightmarish reality. For the rare black orchid that Hestizo has nurtured and bonded with is the final ingredient in an ancient Sith formula—crucial to the Dark Lord's obsession, but with consequences far worse than fatal. Now, spawned by a heretofore unknown virus, the rotting, ravenous dead are rising, driven by a bloodthirsty hunger for all things living—and commanded by a Sith Master who lusts for power and the ultimate prize: immortality . . . no matter the cost.



VUL Interview

By Star.Sapphire

I'm not often caught off-guard, but I confess that I was surprised to hear from our Editor-In-Chief (MG.) who passed along a message from our Head Writer (DawnStar), asking me to interview a VUL for the next edition of the KATalyst magazine. Thankfully the request wasn't "on short notice," and three of our VULs came to mind almost as soon as I got the message. As it happens, the first person on my list was happy to participate. With that, I would like to introduce you to **Chillspoon**, a VUL on KickAssTorrents.

Chillspoon is, like many of us, a college student. He is new to the American college system, and I couldn't resist asking him about his feelings toward his core curriculum. **Naturally I was fishing for a humorous response,** but he didn't take the bait and responded in a practical way: some classes are terrible, while others are practically an "easy 'A' (paraphrasing). Core curriculum notwithstanding, Chillspoon is pursuing a degree in political science, specifically law. I made it a point to ask him where he sees himself five years after he completes his studies. His reply was, in part, "My euphoric dream would be to be like one of the lawyers from the popular TV series Suits, but in all honesty I would like to join a high class law firm anywhere in the United States."

In the so-called "real world," Chillspoon enjoys golfing and sports of all kinds. Online, or at least on KAT, he uploads hip hop and rap music. When I asked whether he had specific material that he likes to share, he stated "I enjoy sharing hip hop/rap music because I enjoy it myself. I try to stay away from uploading things that I do not enjoy because I can have the sense of really appreciating my work."

When asked about his journey to VUL status, Chillspoon traced it back to a time when he noticed that the music he prefers was difficult to find. "I started uploading and sharing because I get so much mainstream music that I enjoy and it was usually not even on KAT," he says. He then repeated words that are heard many times on KAT: "So I decided I would fill the gap."

Chillspoon discovered the bittorrent world in high school, was amazed at the idea of unlimited entertainment, and soon became addicted. When directly asked what motivates him to keep coming back (and upload) to KAT, he says, "Kat is a true community of people. Everyone talks on here as if we are all neighbors. It is truly a beautiful thing to see so many individuals from around the world to come together and enjoy mixed-cultural entertainment." He credits many KAT members as being particularly beneficial to his overall KAT experience, saying, "I would like to thank CualiTochtli, OptimusPr1me, Stargazer101, ScribeOfGoD, Super Moderator (George), Star.Sapphire, and many more that I have probably failed to mention. They have all helped me feel so welcomed to this amazing site."

Are you a fan of rap and/or hip hop music? Check out Chillspoon, Verified Uploader of KAT. Visit his Release Thread here---->

H.P.Lovecraft Biography

Part 1 of 3 *By Star.Sapphire*

> "That is not dead which can eternal lie, And with strange aeons even death may die."
> H.P. Lovecraft, *The Call Of Cthulhu*

H.P. Lovecraft is a name that might provoke a blank stare from anyone who is unfamiliar with his work. For others, however, that same name may well provoke a shudder. Whatever one's reaction, it is true that Lovecraft lurks in the background of a multitude of modern entertainment, from movies to literature.

Author Howard Phillips Lovecraft (1890-1937) was very much a product of his time. The son of parents who would both pass away in a psychiatric institution, he was something of an anglophile who (though not wealthy) seems to have conducted himself in an aristocratic fashion. He spent most of his life in Providence, R.I. where he was virtually unknown, leading a reclusive lifestyle to the point of seldom venturing outside during daylight hours.

Lovecraft biographer S.T. Joshi notes that he was an obscure author during his lifetime, and unable to support himself by writing. He was a regular contributor to "pulp" publications such as Weird Tales magazine, which once offered him the position of editor (he declined). Lovecraft was also frequently employed as a ghost-writer; one of his clients with whom he developed a friendship was magician Harry Houdini.

While reclusive, Lovecraft was on friendly terms with many authors with whom he corresponded through letters. He frequently exchanged literary ideas with individuals such as Robert Howard (Conan The Barbarian) and Robert Bloch (Psycho), sometimes borrowing characters that his friends had created for use in his own stories (and vice versa). He likewise corresponded with many other authors as a mentor. These individuals eventually became known as "the Lovecraft Circle." This wide body or "circle" of writers borrowed many of the characters that Lovecraft created and incorporated them into their own writings. After his death they greatly expanded upon his ideas. The practice of creating and adding to an elaborate Lovecraft-inspired universe resulted in what is now known as "the Cthulhu Mythos" (Cthulhu is a fictional entity that Lovecraft created, said to be lying dormant somewhere in the ocean and being, simultaneously, both "dead and dreaming").

H.P. Lovecraft pioneered what is called "Lovecraftian horror," which is defined as "a subgenre of horror fiction that emphasizes the cosmic horror of the unknown (and in some cases, unknowable) more than gore or other elements of shock." His tales of monstrous entities, insane deities, and vile "non-euclidean" ruins of ancient cities had a great influence on author Stephen King, who refers to Lovecraft as "the father of modern horror." The influence of the "Gentleman Of Providence," as Lovecraft is sometimes called, may not always be obvious, but it is alive and well - and it even reaches to the internet where one can find The H.P. Lovecraft Historical Society as well as The H.P. Lovecraft Archive.

In the next part of this series we will examine some of HPL's unique creations in more detail. For now, if you've ever heard of the Evil Dead or *Re-Animator* movies...or if you've seen ol' Davey Jones in *Pirates Of The Caribbean*...you have seen The Gentleman's influence. Metallica has sung about his creations and Dungeons & Dragons has incorporated them into their games. There is even a role-playing game called Call Of Cthulhu that is based entirely upon his creations.

You can also download a few of his writings HERE - just don't turn off the lights.

Silly Jokes

From KAT users for KAT users

So a Catholic priest, a Nun and a Rabbi walk into a bar.
The bartender looks at them and says “What is this, some kind of joke?!?”

One weekend, a husband is in the bathroom shaving when the local kid Bubba he hired to mow his lawn, comes in to pee.
The husband slyly looks over and is shocked at how immensely endowed Bubba is.
He can’t help himself, and asks Bubba what his secret is.
“Well,” says Bubba, “every night before I climb into bed with a girl, I whack my penis on the bedpost three times. It works, and it sure impresses the girls!”
The husband was excited at this easy suggestion and decided to try it that very night. So before climbing into bed with his wife, he took out his penis and whacked it three times on the bedpost.
His wife, half-asleep, said, “Bubba? Is that you?”

A radio station is offering a Round the World Trip if you can come up with a word that’s not in the dictionary and can be put into a sentence.
A Jamaican man calls and says “ma word is gwan, spelt g.w.a.n and ma sentence is “gwan, go f**k yourself!”
DJ hangs up and apologises to his listeners!
About 5 minutes later a guy calls and said “Ma word is smee, spelt s.m.e.e.
The DJ says “OK, now what is your sentence?”
The guy says “smee again, gwan f**k yourself!

Beware of men on airplanes!
The minute a man reaches 30,000 feet, he becomes consumed by sexual fantasies that involve doing uncomfortable things in those tiny toilets.
These men should not be encouraged; their fantasies are sadly low-rent and unimaginative.
Affect a cool, aloof demeanour as soon as any man attempts to hit on you.
Unless, of course, he’s the Pilot….!

Q: What is Mozart doing right now?
A: Decomposing.

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Wolverine
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Artist: Pearl Jam
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Song: Like A Rolling Stone
Artist: Bob Dylanv
thLullaby
Song: See You Again ft. Charlie Puth
Artist: Wiz Khalifa
Super Moderator
Song: Heart wants what it wants
Artist: Selena Gomez
10 Deserted Island Songs

10 Deserted Island Songs

By WarhoundOne

In Memory Of

Crzdolmn555

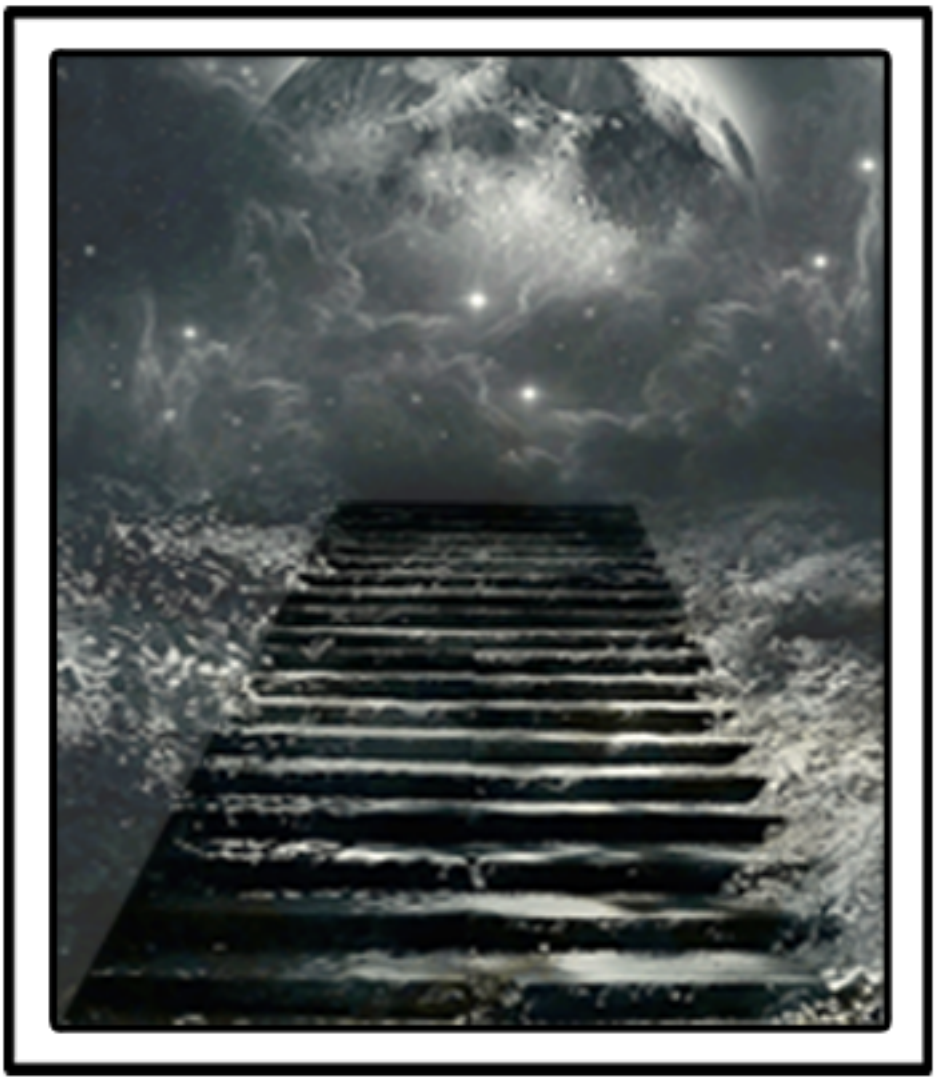
Nowadays, I watch the night sky with hope to see you somewhere.
They say that good people, when they die, turn into stars.
I know you are twinkling brightly with all your might.

We shall rejoice for you, as you are in a better place.
But we shall also mourn for those whom you have left behind.

I bid adieu to you today. Rest in peace with the angels above.

By thLullaby

Our katfriend Crzdolmn555 (Gary) passed away on the 17th October 2015.



Thread: Our Respects for Crzdolmn555

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4 - Labbetuss - Kyle-E
5 - karaokeking
6 - LIBBY8763 - Itzy - shockya10
7 - Opsylum
8 - Hebiertje2 - noctophobia - ®i©ki®i©k - WesleyyyR - demoniks0013 - LordSpartan
9 - crooswijk
11 - astlyr - ljbew - larsV - Anonymou7
12 - 805Hostage - lovetv - jovelposh - nyhcec - LazyMustache
13 - DineshJackson
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19 - kiritokhun - George - GHOSTGAMERS
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punkbro, thLullaby
WhiteQueen, K-mountain

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SaM, ObeyEt, DJ840

To EUL
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